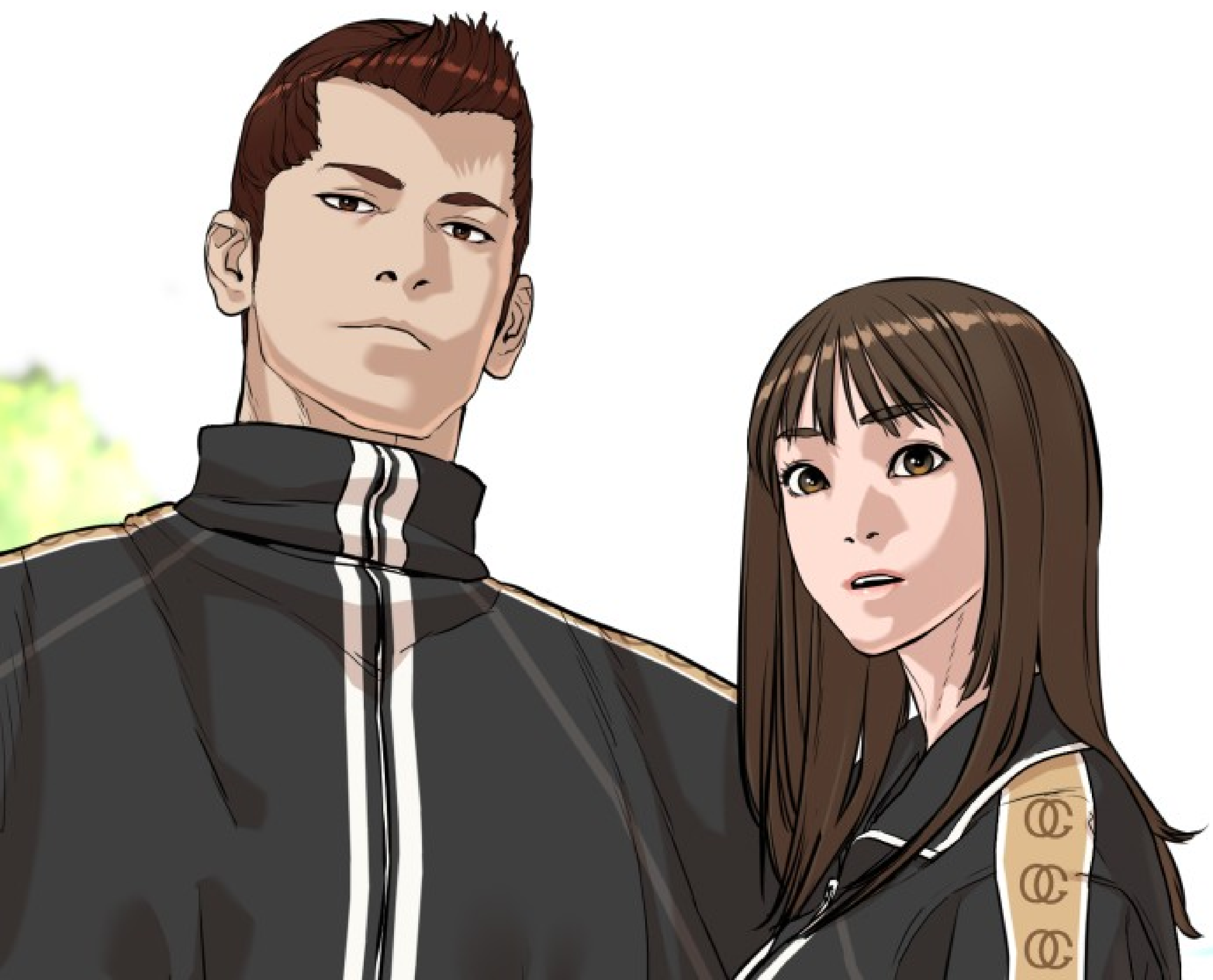


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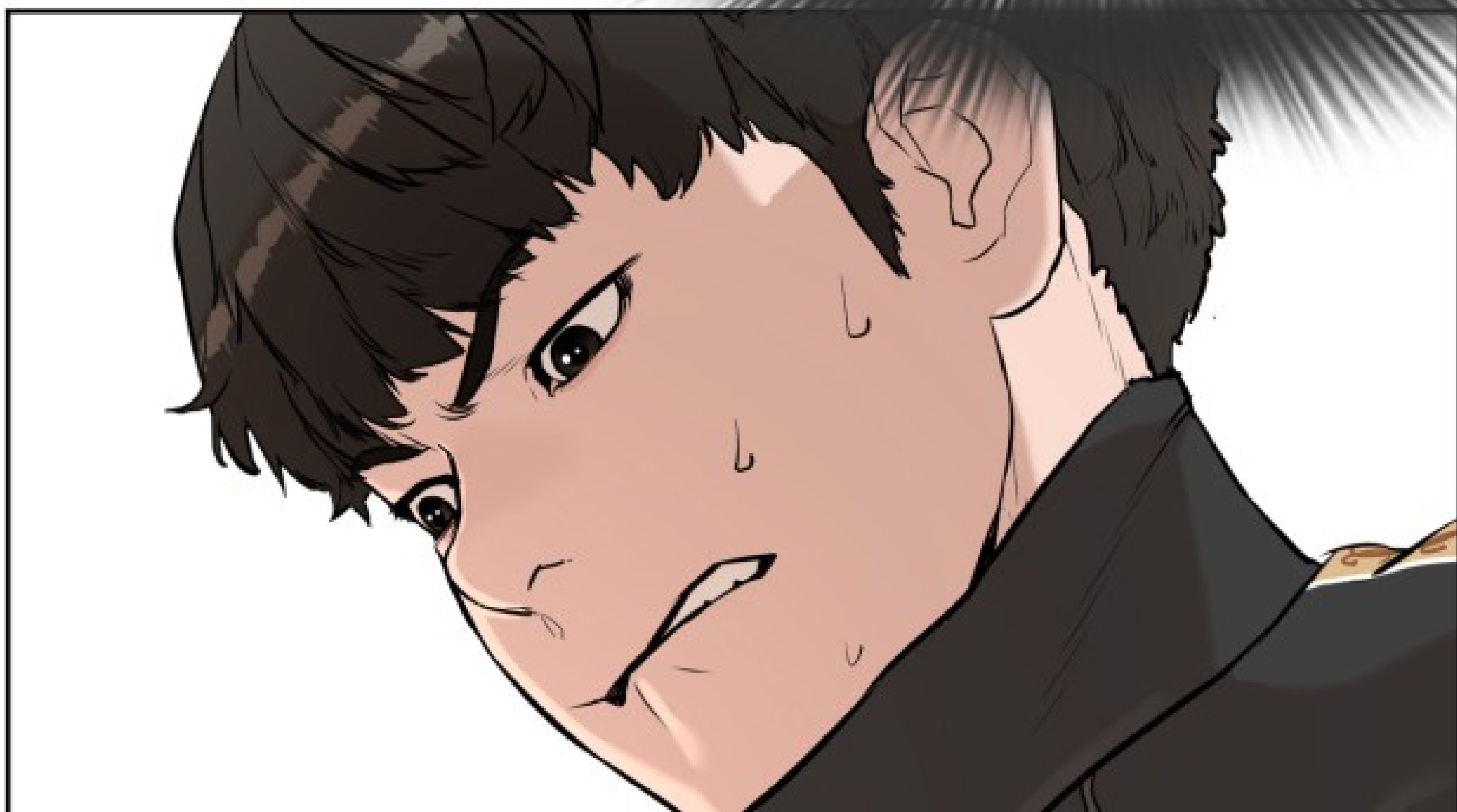






**WHAT... WHAT
DO I DO?**

**I SAID IT
WITH SUCH
CONFIDENCE!**





I DIDN'T JUST
SAY I KNEW HIM,
I MADE IT SOUND
LIKE WE'RE CLOSE!

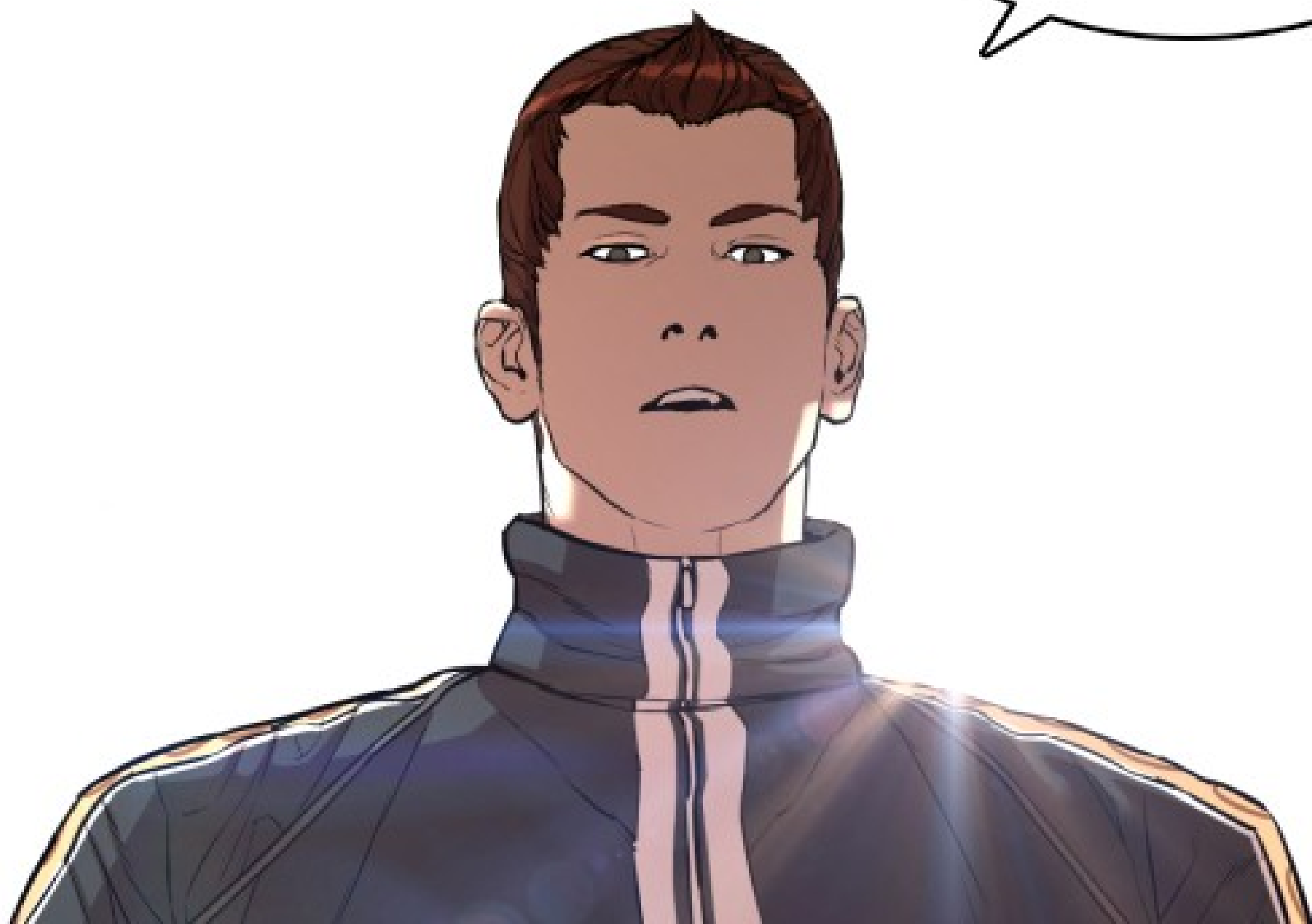


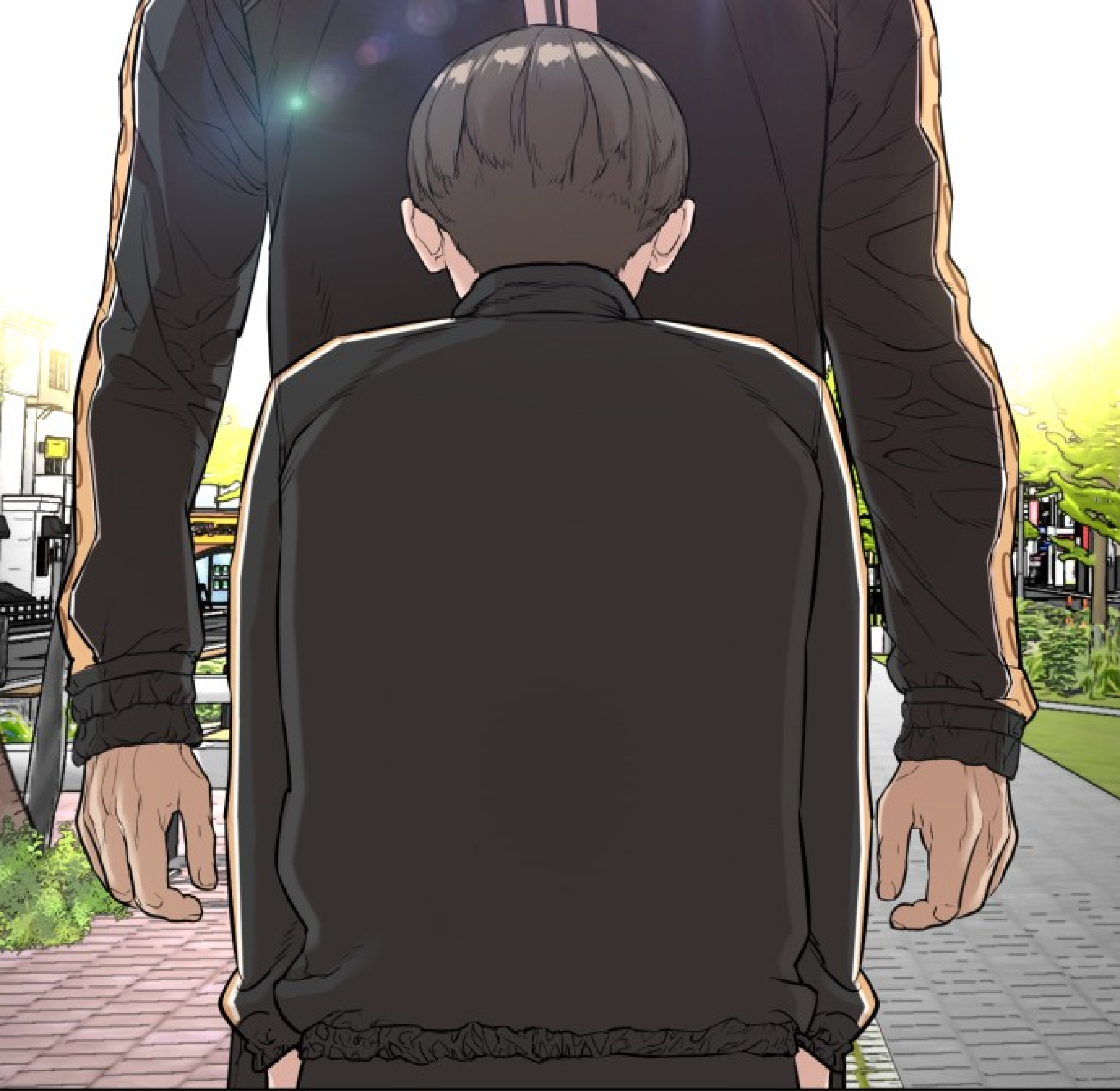
YEAH, I'M
FRIENDS...

...WITH
MUNSEONG.

I'M SORRY, BOMI.

**WE'RE
FRIENDS?**

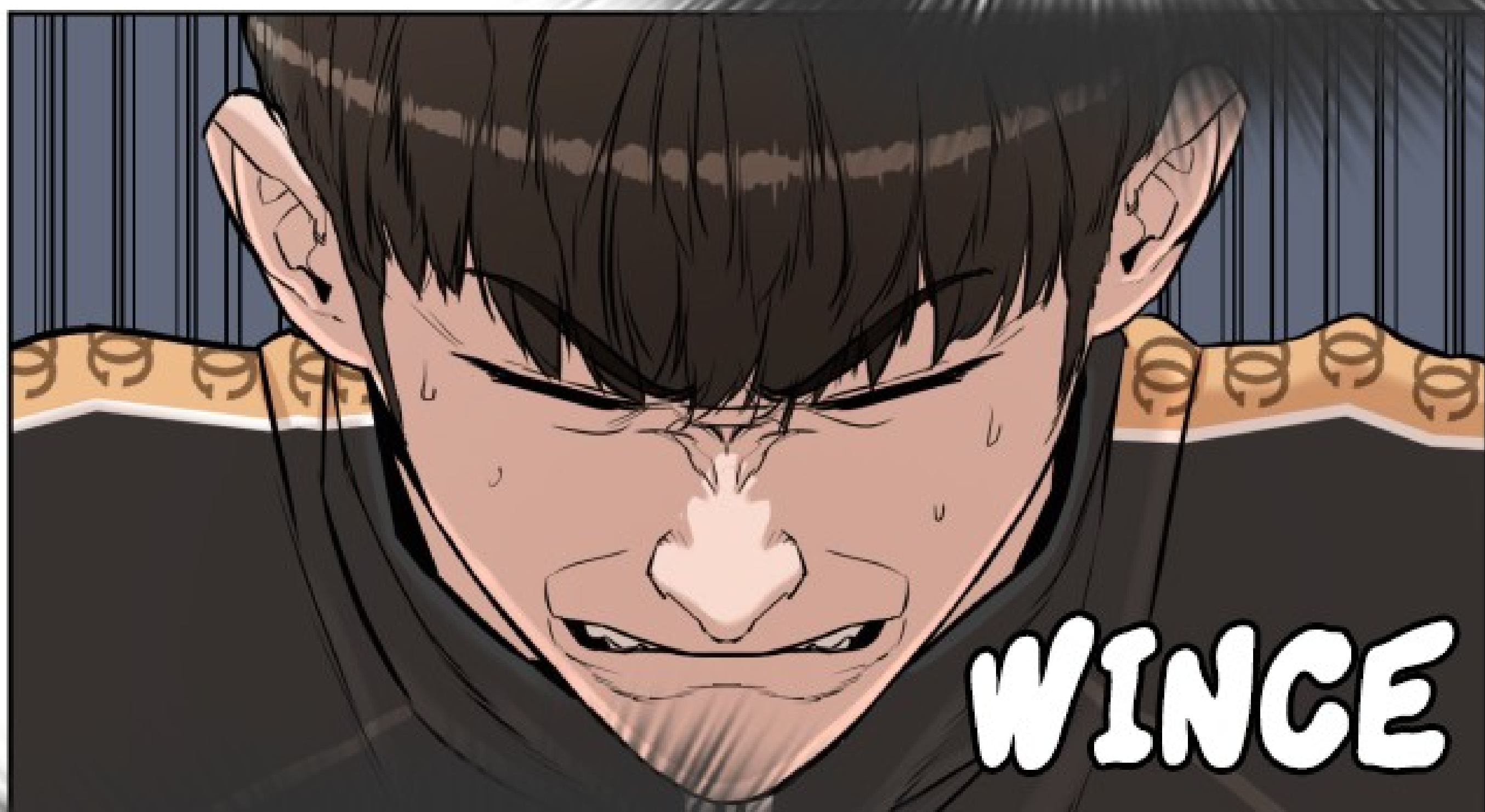




**WE'RE ACTUALLY
NOT FRIENDS.**

**BOMI, I'M
SURE YOU DON'T
KNOW, BUT...**

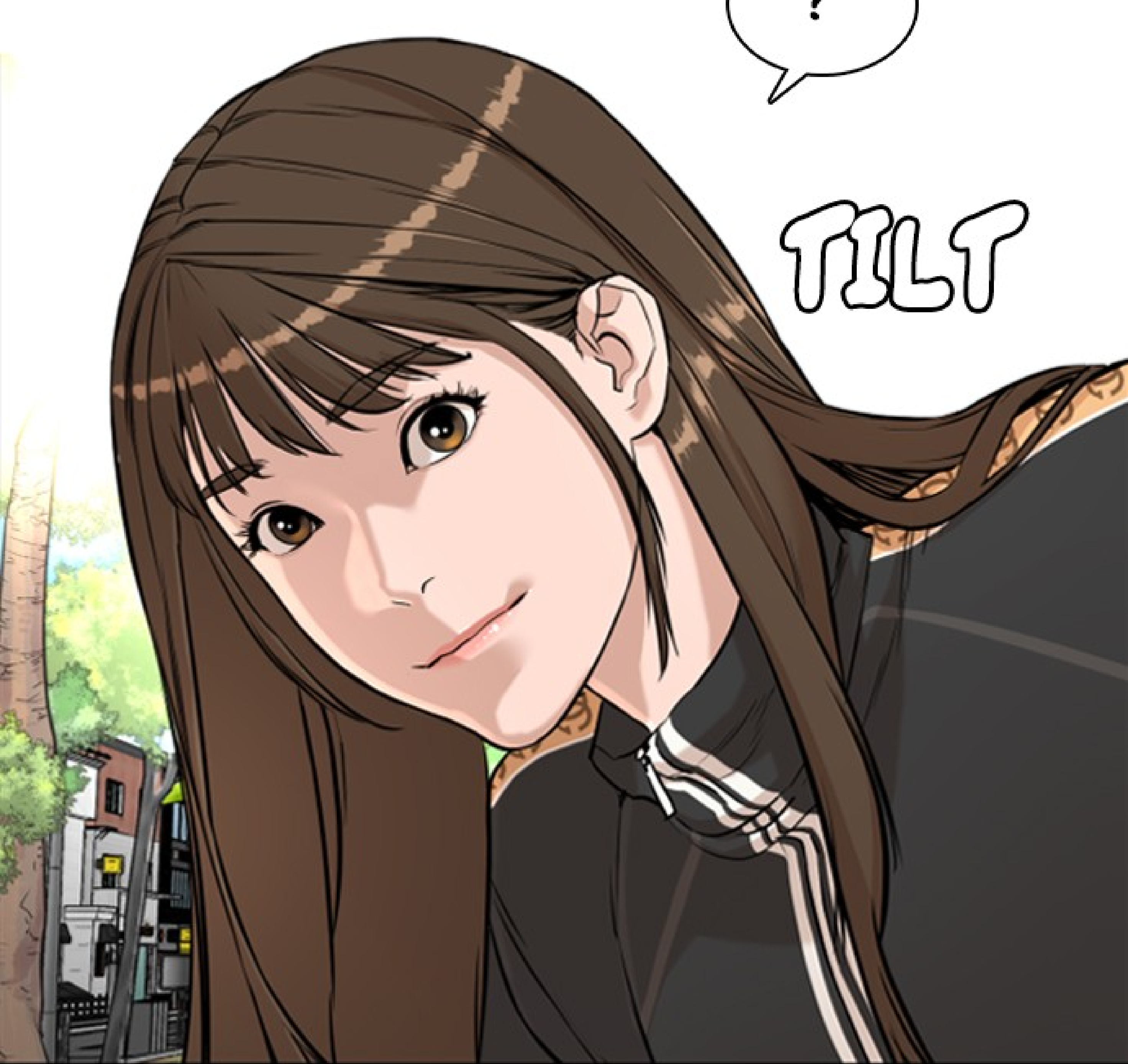
**...THERE'S AN
UNSPOKEN RULE
THAT WE LOSERS
ARE AWARE
OF.**



WE CAN'T ACT
LIKE WE'RE FRIENDS
WITH SOMEONE
UNLESS IT'S FOR
CERTAIN!

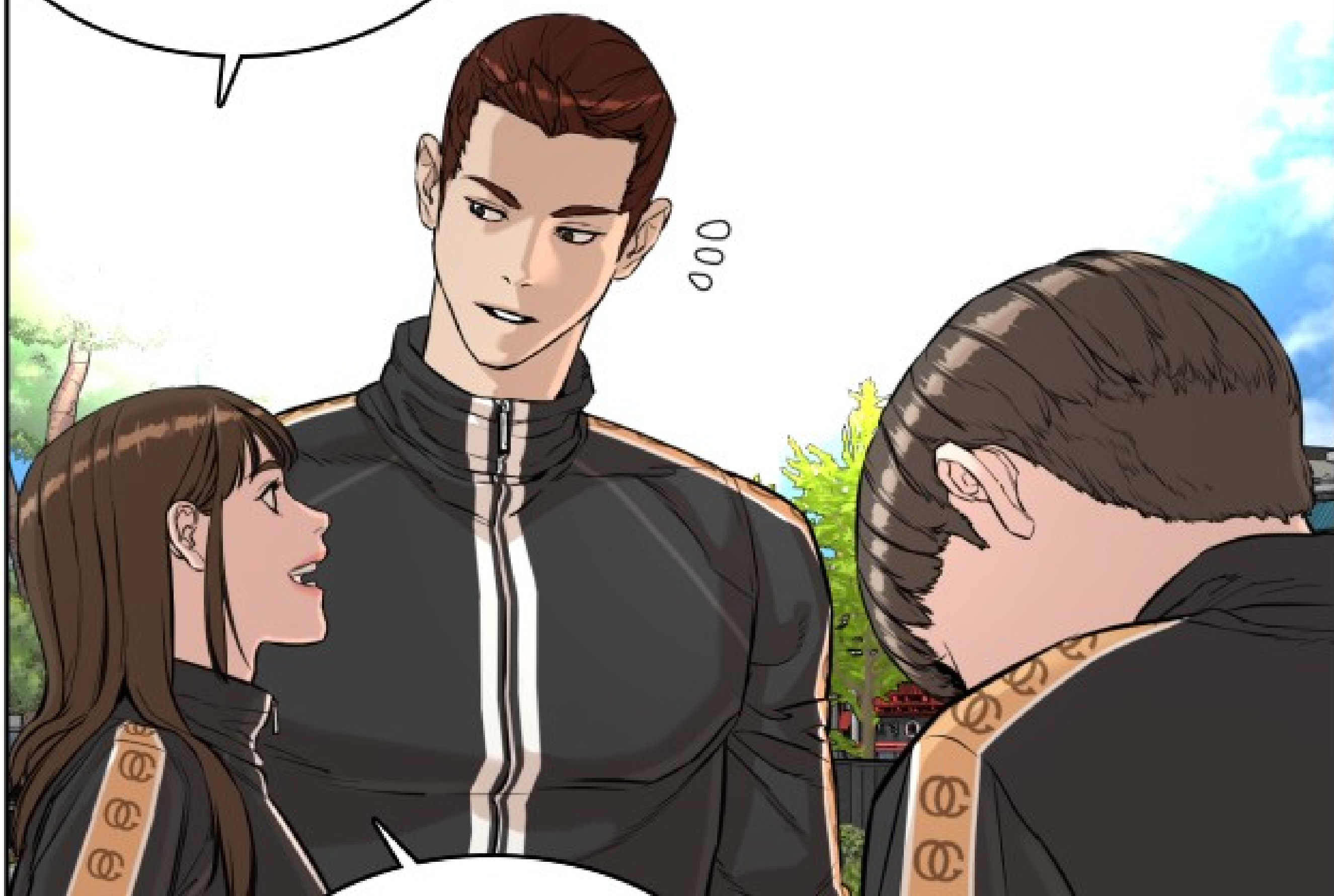
BUT I BROKE
THAT RULE AND
SAID I WAS
FRIENDS WITH
MUNSEONG.


BECAUSE I WANTED
YOU TO THINK...



...I WAS POPULAR.

WHAT ARE
YOU TWO
DOING?




The top of the page features a dark grey header with two vertical orange stripes on either side, each containing three white 'C' symbols.

I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
CLOSE.

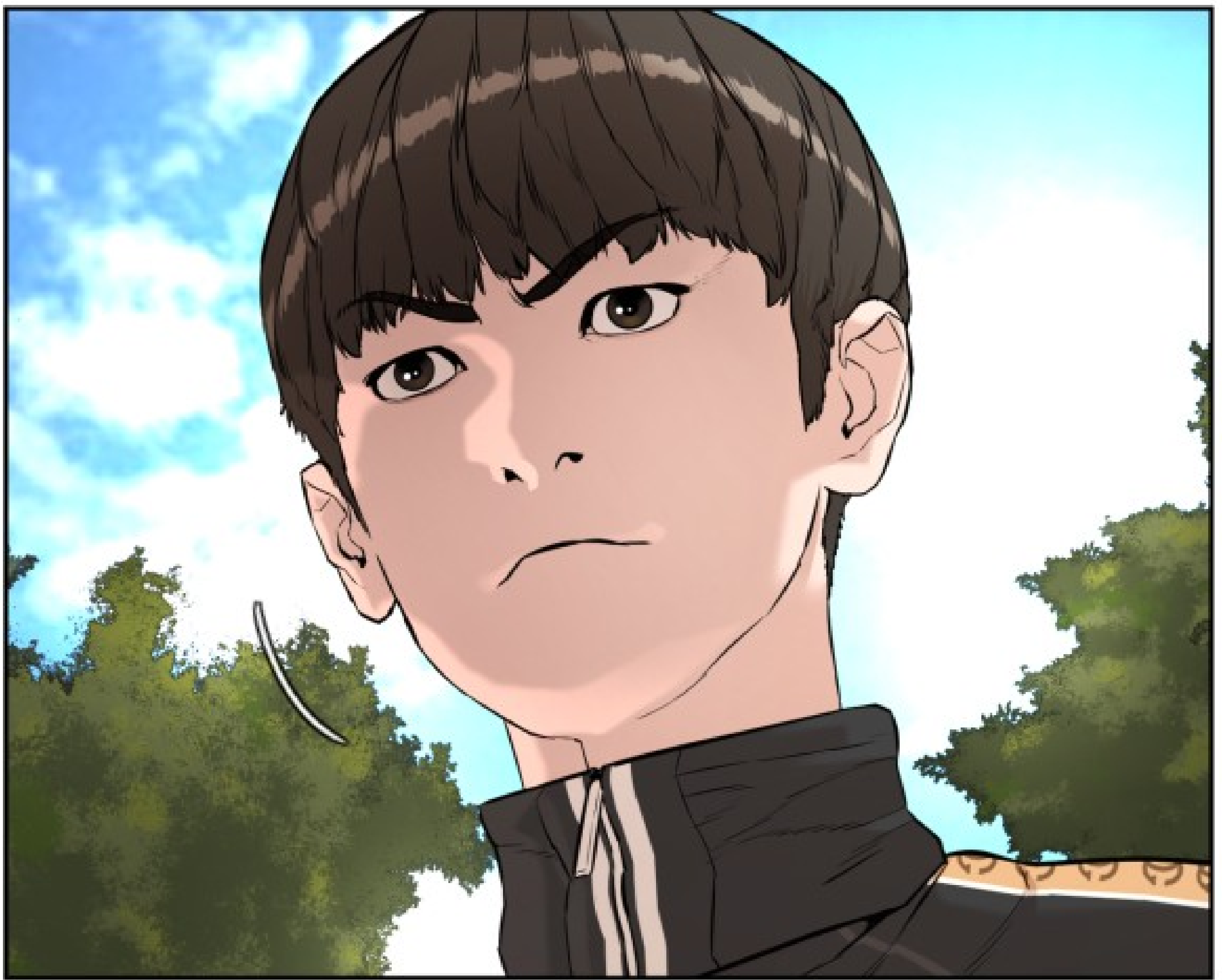
A large, circular, radial explosion effect with many fine lines radiating from the center, creating a bright white core and a dark grey outer ring.

AND AS
PUNISHMENT
FOR BREAKING
THAT UNSPOKEN
RULE...

A large, circular, radial explosion effect with many fine lines radiating from the center, creating a bright white core and a dark grey outer ring.

...I'LL HAVE
TO PAY A
HEAVY PRICE...

I LOVED YOU...



...BOMI CHOI!

**YEAH, WE'RE
IN THE SAME
CLASS...**

**...SO WE'RE
FRIENDS.**

SCRATCH

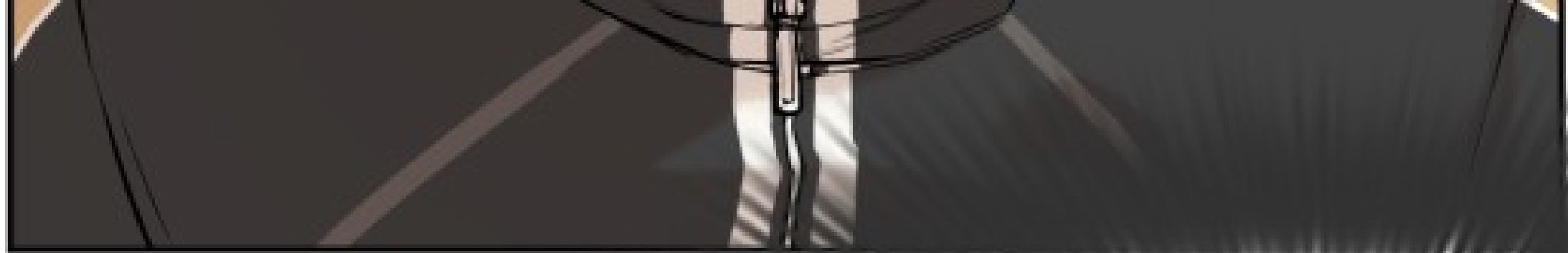
?



**WAIT...
WHAT?**

**WOW,
THAT'S SO
COOL!**

IT IS?



**WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?!**

**WE'RE NOT
FRIENDS!**

HOBBIT?

HOBIN.



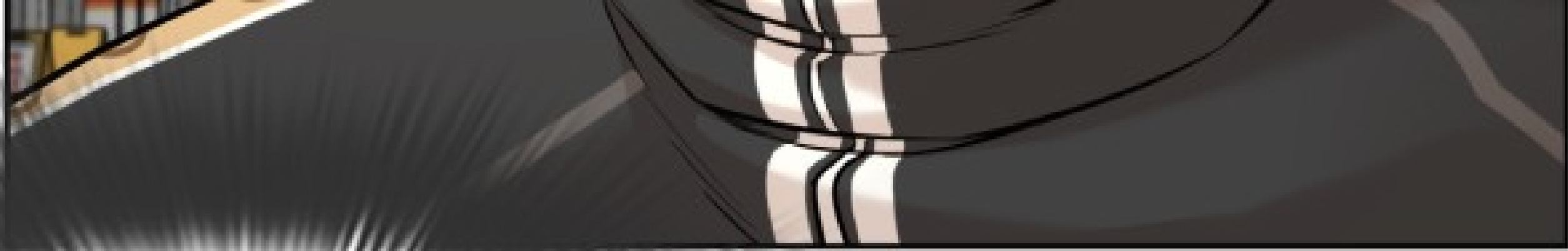


**YOU DON'T
EVEN KNOW
MY NAME!**

UMM...

THE GUY
WHO MAKES
NEWTUBE
VIDEOS!



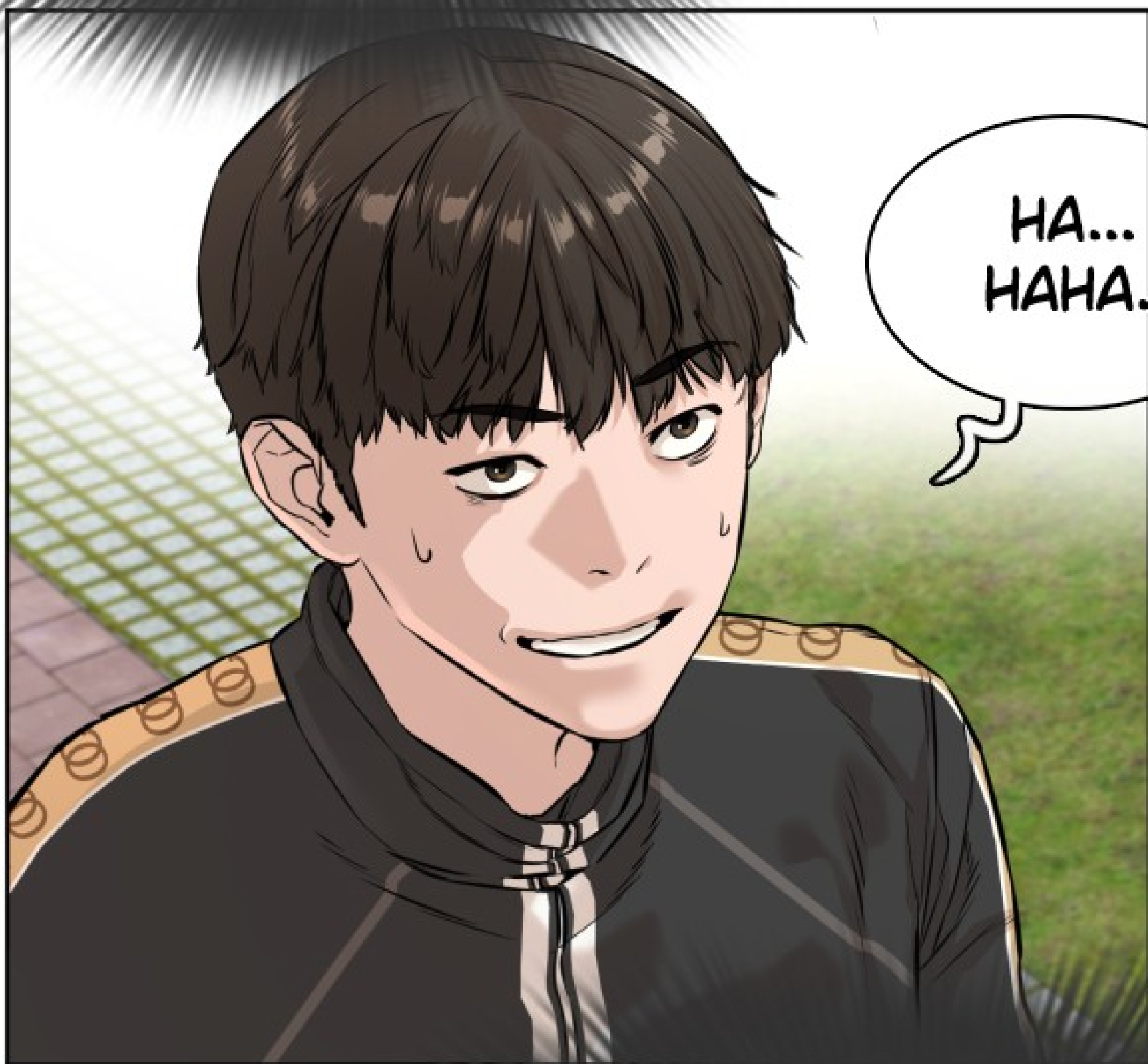


**YOU HAVE
NO IDEA HOW
MUCH I FREAKED
OUT...**

**...AFTER SAYING
I WAS FRIENDS
WITH YOU.**

BUT YOU

**BUT YOU
CAN SAY WE'RE
FRIENDS THAT
EASILY.**



**THE POWER
TO DECIDE THE
FATE OF OUR
RELATIONSHIP WAS
WITH YOU.**



**BUT THE SADDEST
THING WAS THAT...**

I JUST
NOTICED WE'RE
WEARING THE
SAME JACKET.





**...MUNSEONG TELLING
ME WE WERE FRIENDS...**

**T-THAT'S
RIGHT**

...MUNSEONG.




...MADE ME HAPPY.

HE DIDN'T HAVE
TO THINK TOO
HARD ABOUT IT
AT ALL.

I THINK I
WAS THE ONE
WHO WAS
OVERTHINKING
THINGS

THINGS.





**QUESTION: WHICH
PAIR IN THIS
GROUP GOES
WELL TOGETHER?
(5 POINTS)**





**GUESS WHAT
THE CORRECT
ANSWER IS.**

**EVEN AN
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL KID
COULD FIGURE
THAT OUT.**

**I KNEW
THE ANSWER**

AS WELL.

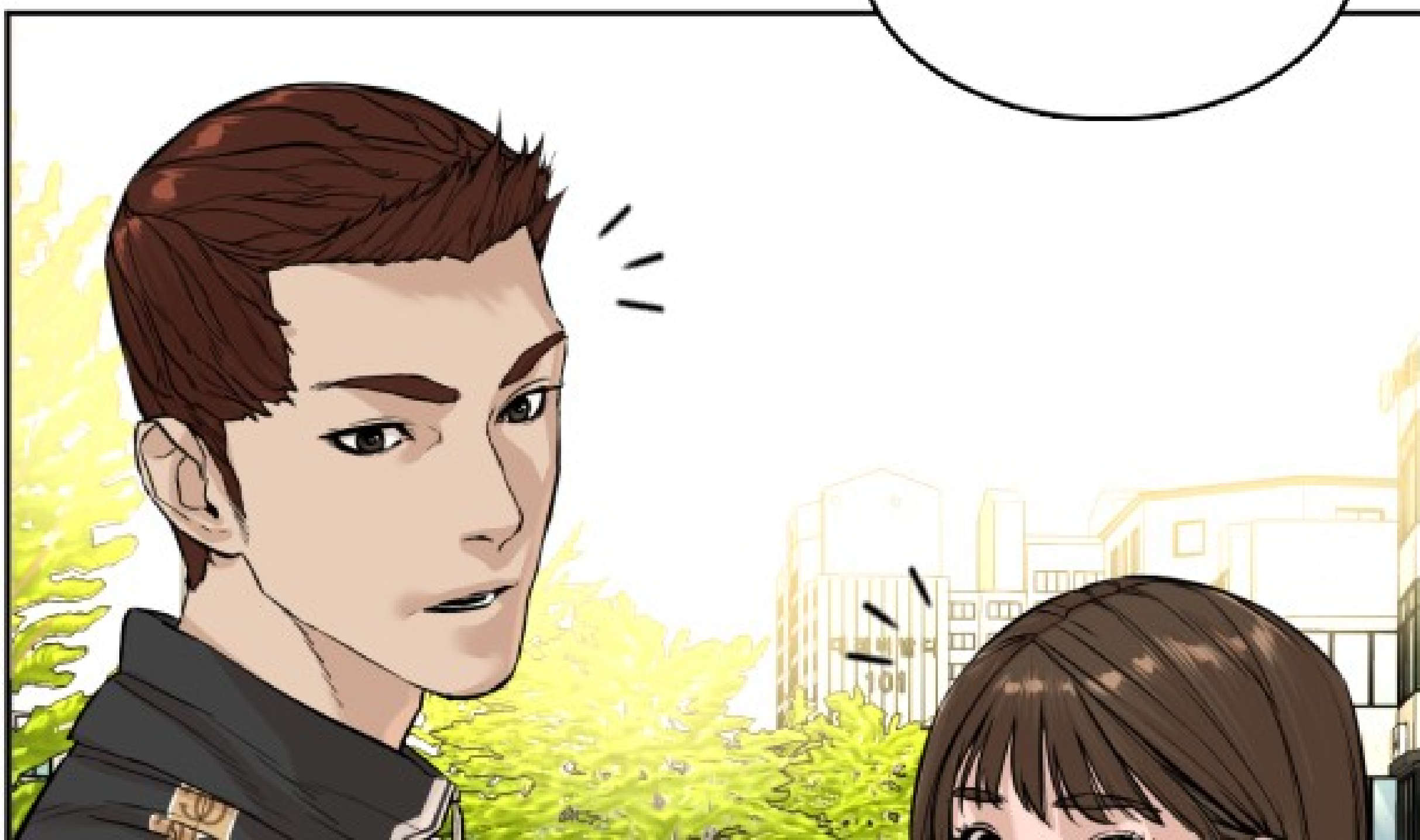
ANSWER: I
WAS THE ODD
ONE OUT.

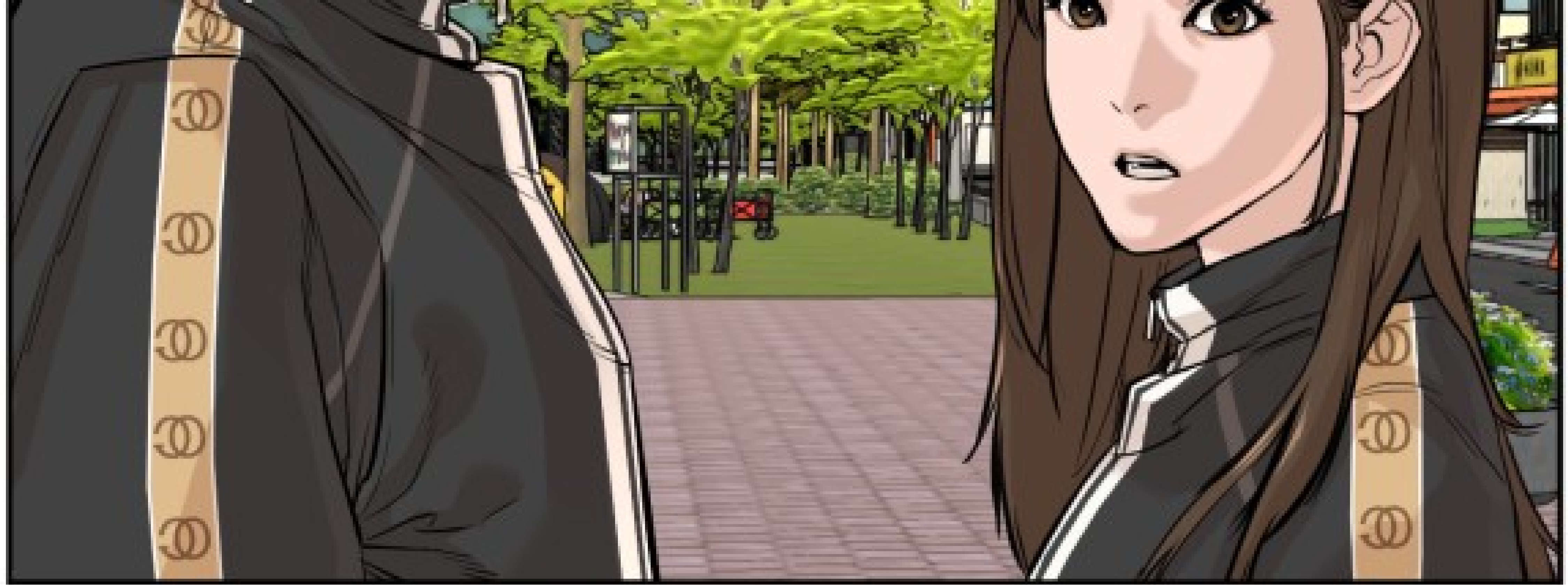






HEY.

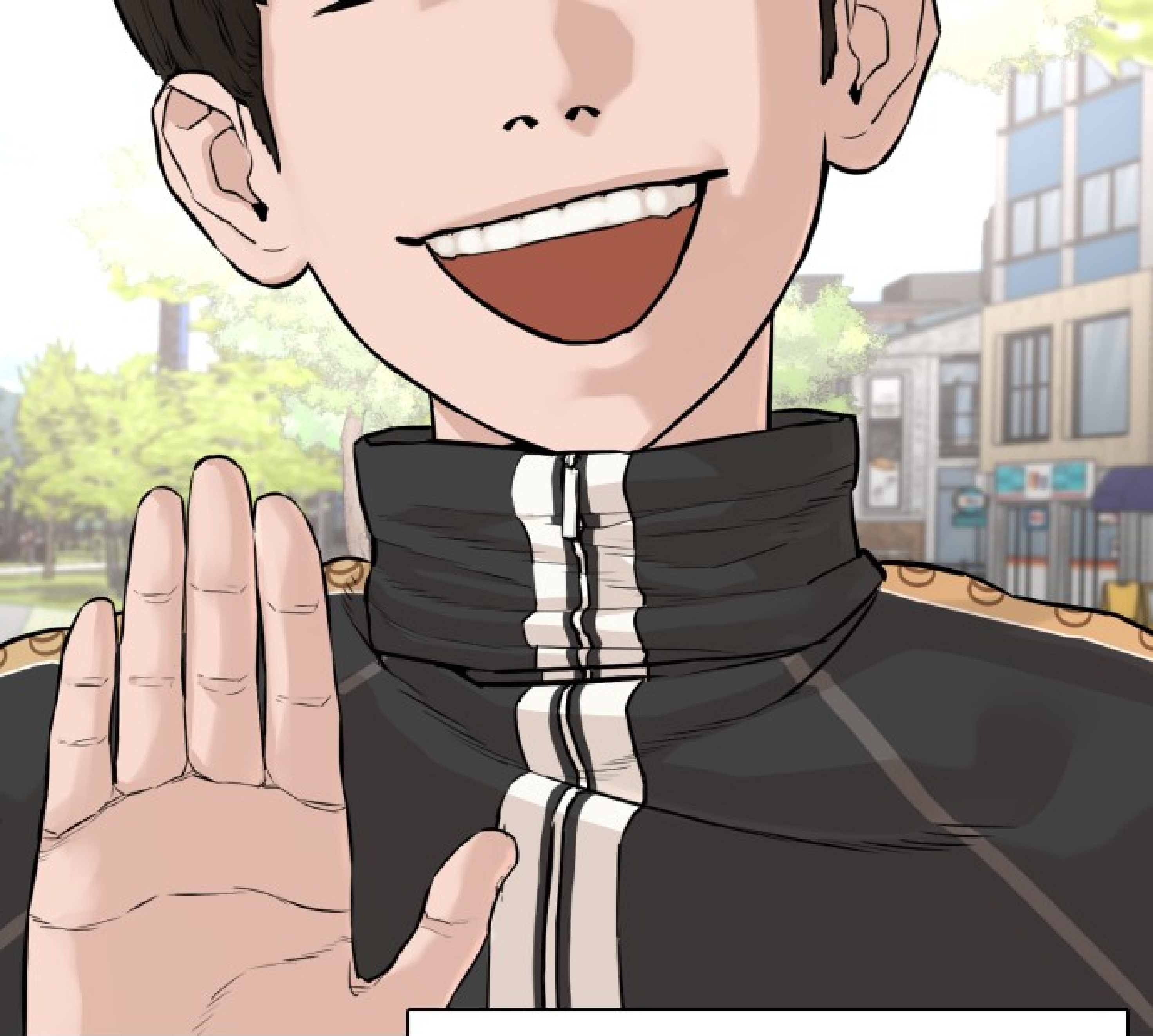




**I'M GONNA
HEAD BACK
HOME FIRST...**

**...BECAUSE OF
MY INGROWN
TOENAIL.**





**I CAN'T BE
WITH THESE TWO
ANYMORE BECAUSE I
FEEL INFERIOR!**

A man and a woman are standing on a paved path in a park. The man is on the left, wearing a black tracksuit with white and gold stripes on the sleeves. He has a surprised expression. The woman is on the right, wearing a similar black tracksuit. She has a concerned expression. In the background, there are green trees, a grassy area, and a few other people walking. Two speech bubbles are present: one from the man saying "...WHAT?" and one from the woman saying "AN INGROWN TOENAIL?".

...WHAT?

**AN
INGROWN
TOENAIL?**



**I'M A
FUCKING
MORON.**

OUT OF ALL
THE EXCUSES IN
THE WORLD...

OW.

MY BIG



...I SAID I
HAD AN INGROWN
TOENAIL THAT I
DON'T EVEN HAVE.

I WISH...

...HE HAD
STAYED...

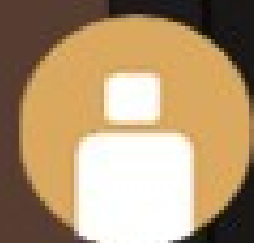
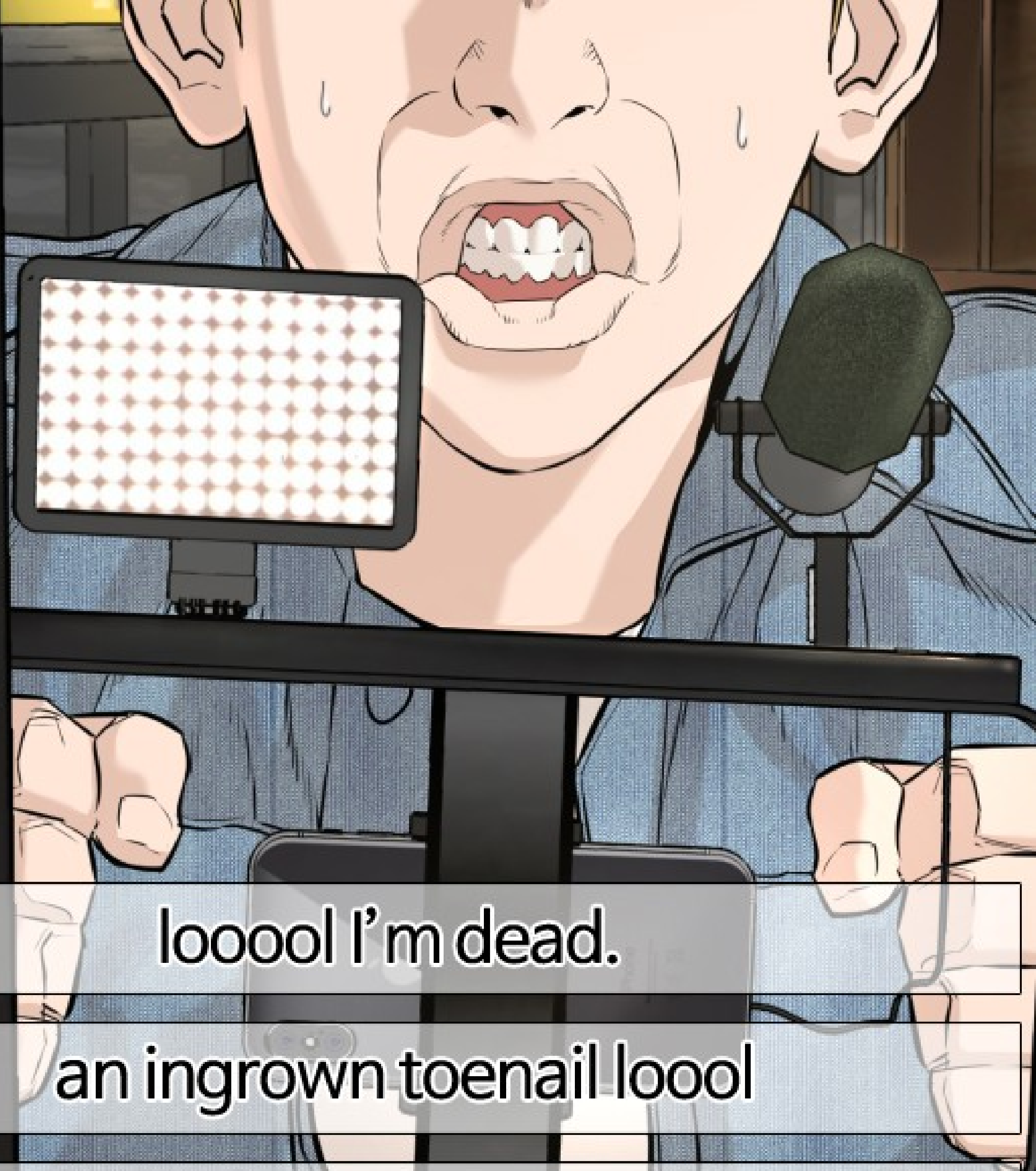






**WHAT IS
THAT DUMBASS
DOING?!**





loool I'm dead.



an ingrown toenail loool



this is more entertaining than the fights.

VIRAL HIT

NARRATIVE AND STORYBOARD BY TAEJUN PAK

ART BY JUNGHYUN KIM

**EPISODE 8: I'M GONNA ASK
YOU OUT, BOMI CHOI!**

AAAHHH!





AAAAHHHH!



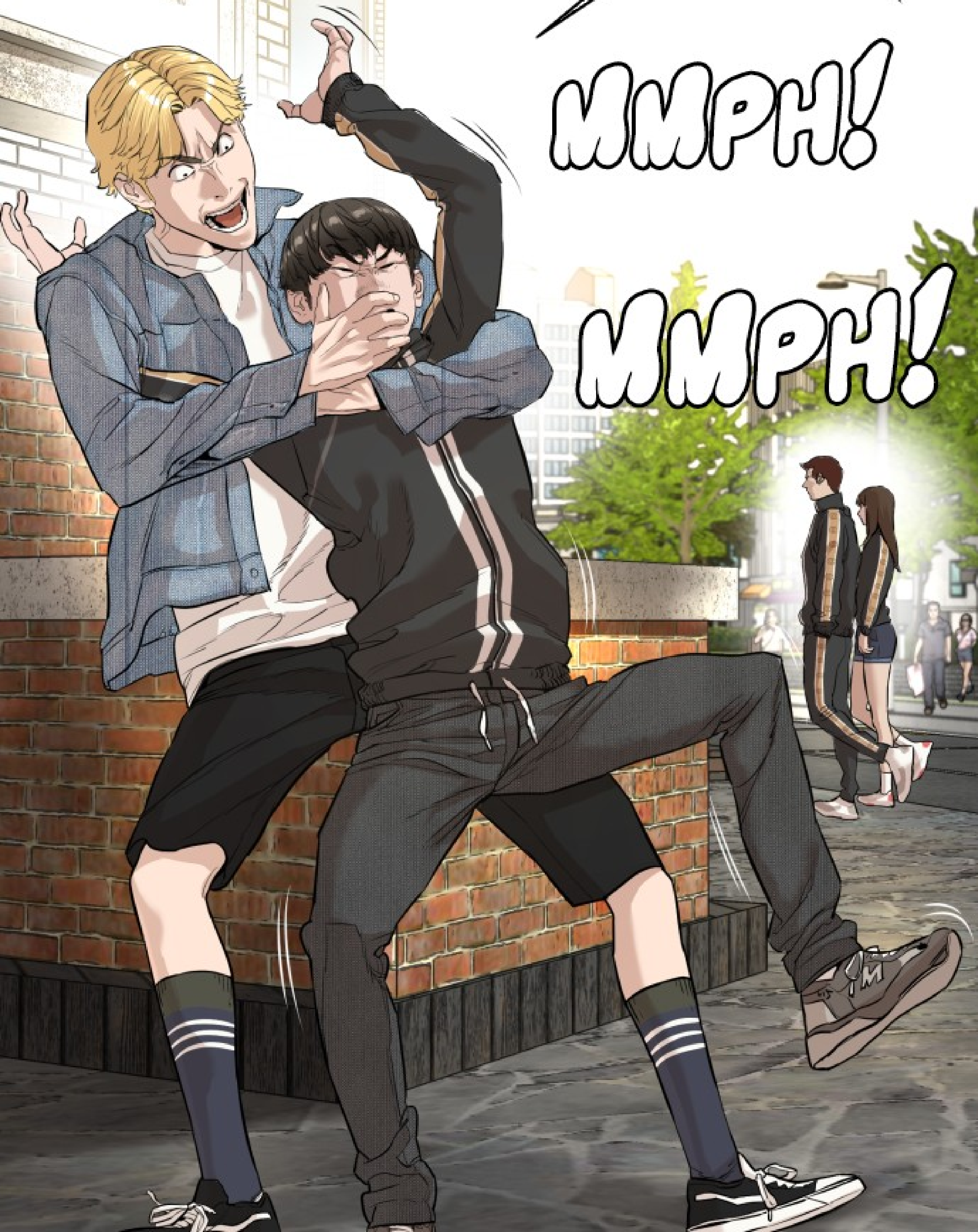


WHAT... WHAT
THE FUCK ARE

WHAT ARE YOU DOING
HERE?!

MMPH!

MMPH!



A comic panel showing the lower legs and feet of three people standing on a grey, textured ground. A large, irregular speech bubble with a dashed border is positioned on the right side of the panel.

**SHH! THEY'RE
GONNA HEAR
YOU, IDIOT!**

A comic panel featuring a single, large speech bubble with a solid black outline and a jagged, star-like shape.

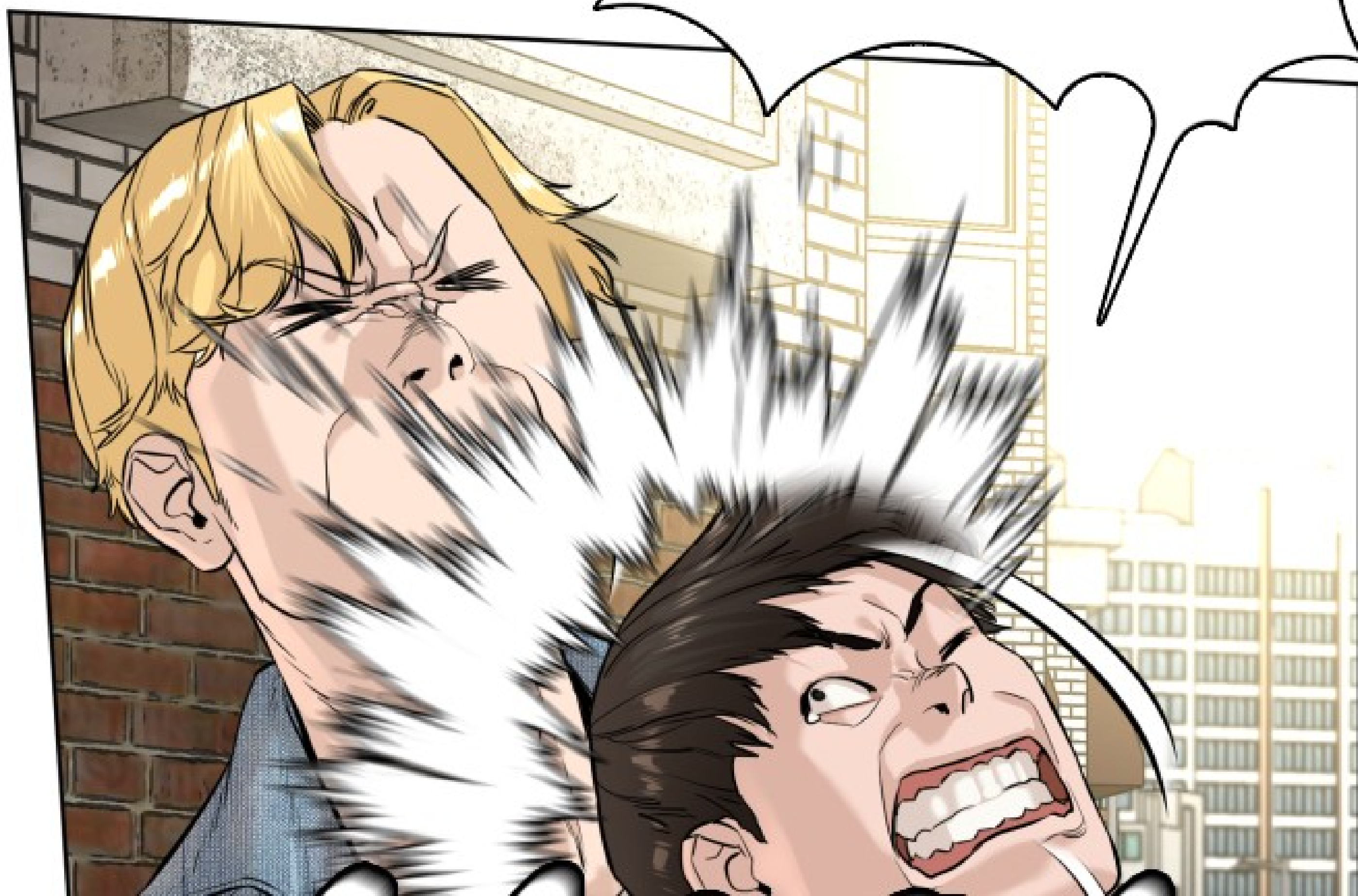
**I JUST
HAPPENED TO
SEE YOU WHILE
I WAS WALKING
SOMEWHERE!**

**BUT WHAT
THE FUCK? AN
INGROWN TOENAIL?
WHAT'S WRONG
WITH YOU?!**



**WHY THE FUCK
WOULD YOU LEAVE
AFTER SAYING YOU HAD
AN INGROWN TOENAIL
WHEN THINGS WERE
GOING WELL?!**

**THEN WHAT
DO YOU WANT
ME TO DO?!**

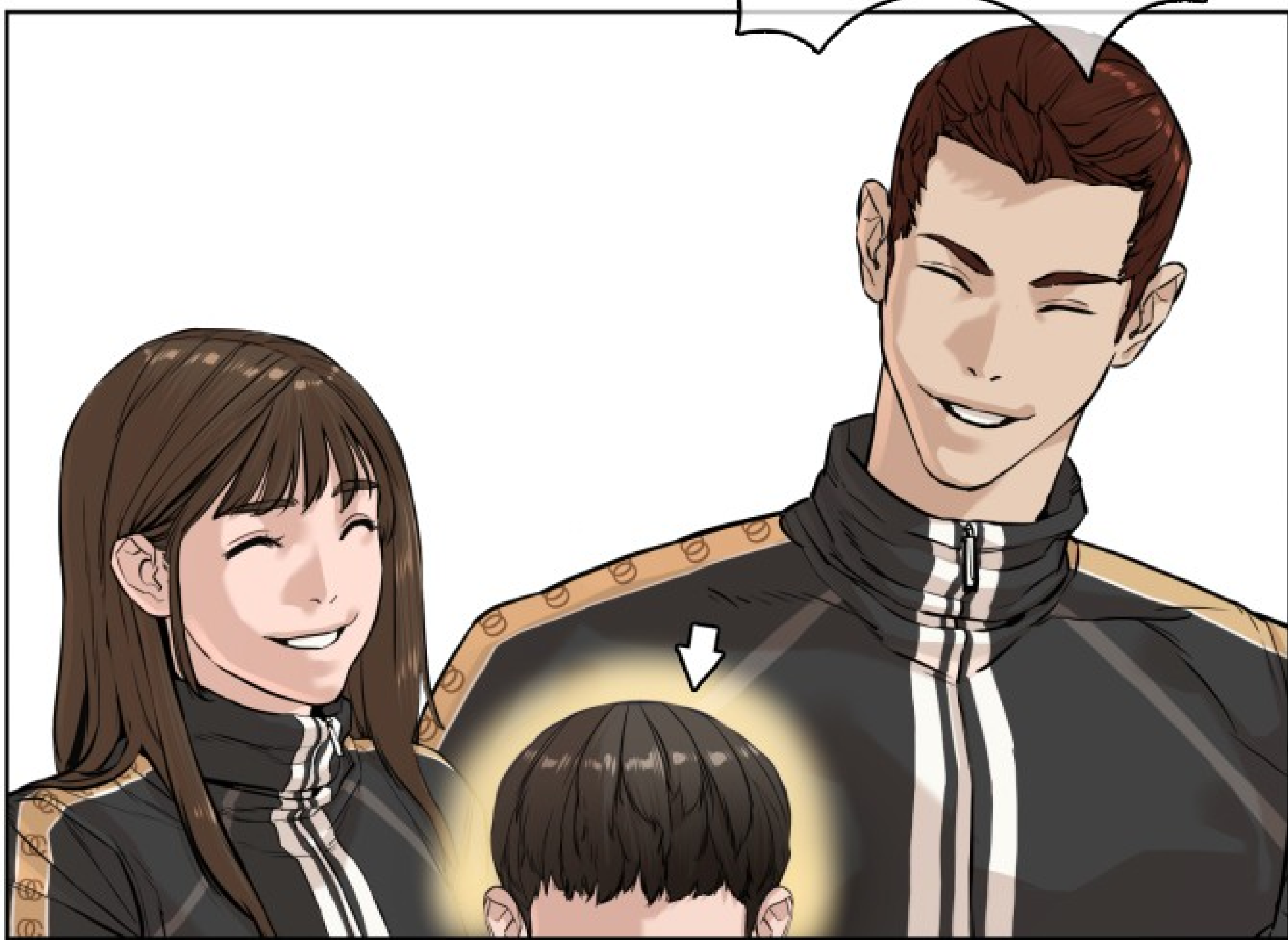




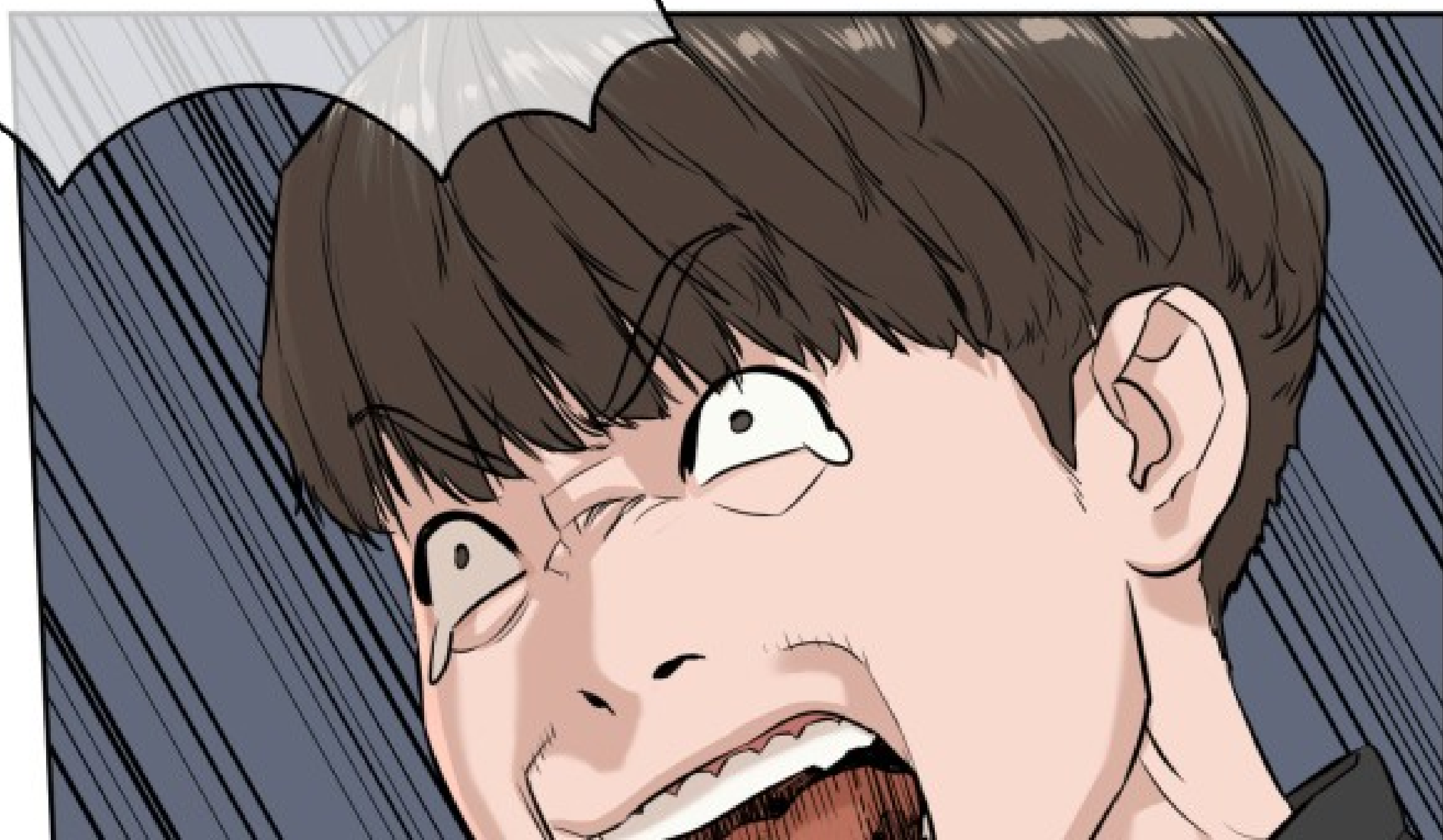
YOU TRY
BEING WITH
THOSE TWO!


I'M BASICALLY
LIKE AN INGROWN
TOENAIL NEXT TO
TWO PERFECTLY
FORMED TOENAILS...

...WHEN I'M
WITH THEM!



**I OBVIOUSLY
DON'T BELONG
WITH BOMI!**





**DO YOU
THINK I'M THAT
OBLIVIOUS?!**

**ROMANCE
IS LIKE A
COMPETITION.**





WHAT'S WITH
HIM ALL OF
A SUDDEN?!

**IT'S A
COMPETITION
WHERE LOTS
OF GUYS...**







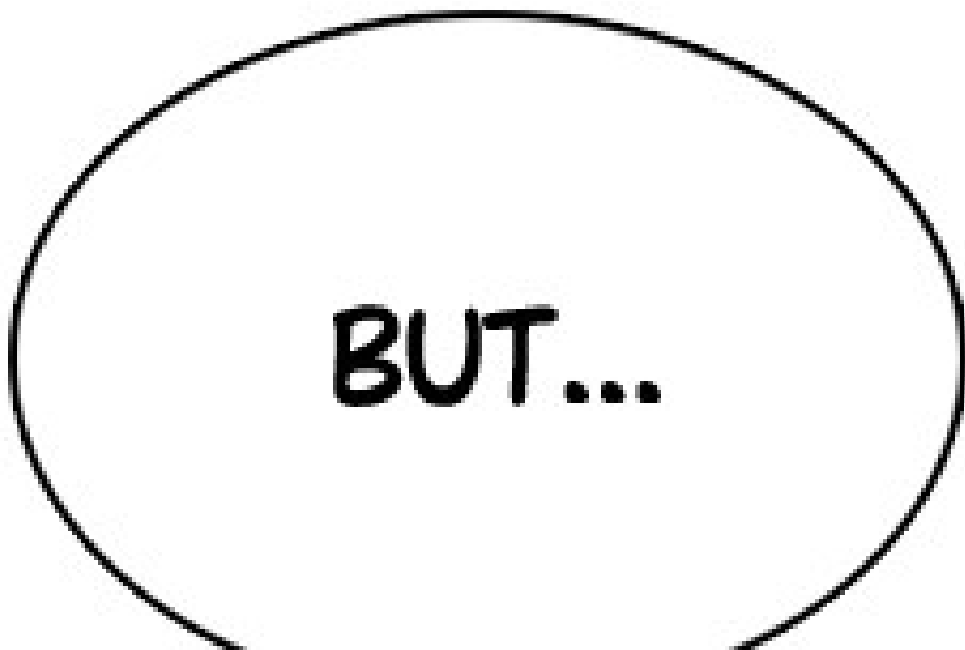
**...TRY TO WIN
OVER A GIRL!**

**EVEN IF
YOU HAVE TO
FACE A REALLY
POWERFUL
OPPONENT...**





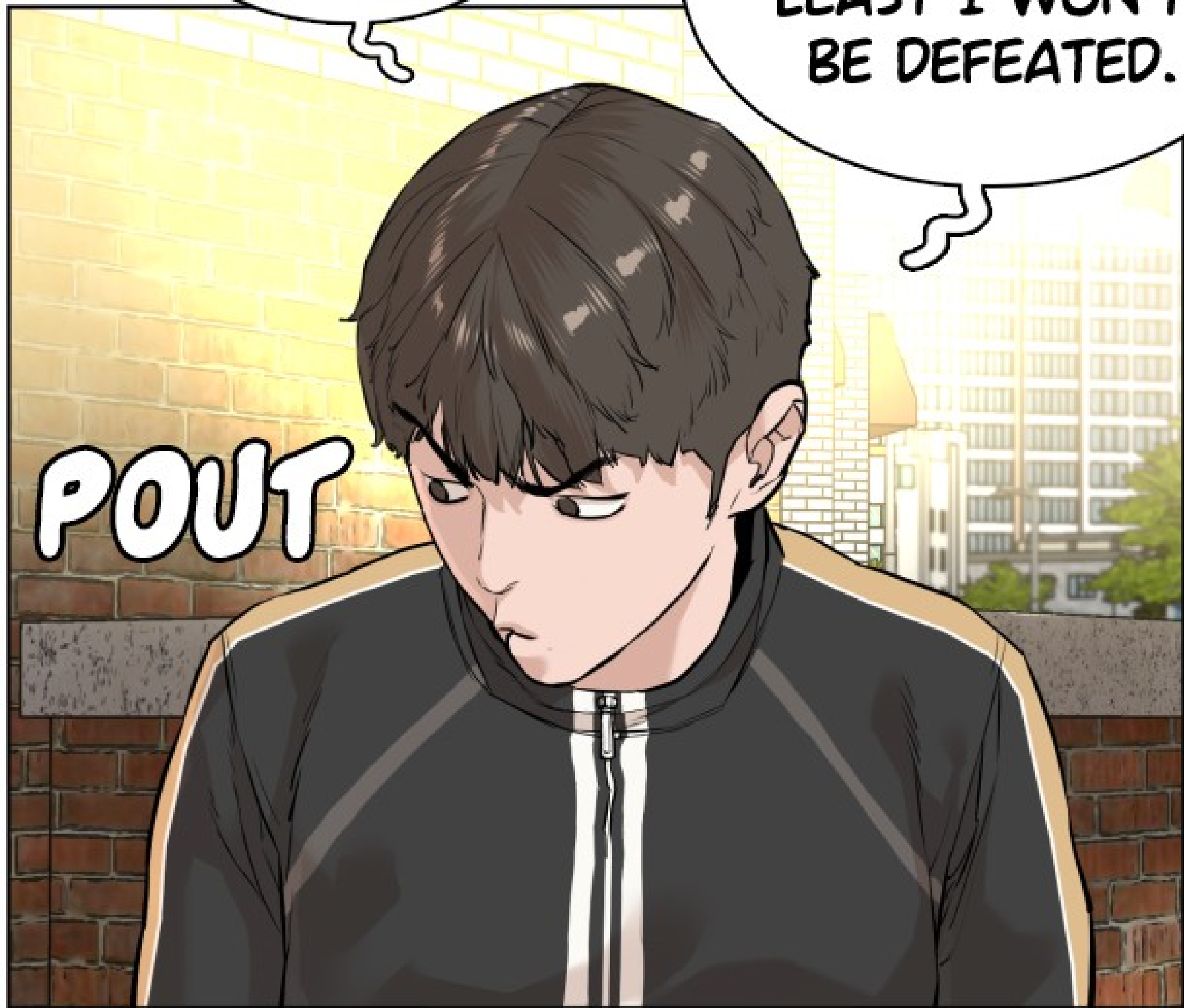
**...YOU CAN'T
GIVE UP!**



BUT...

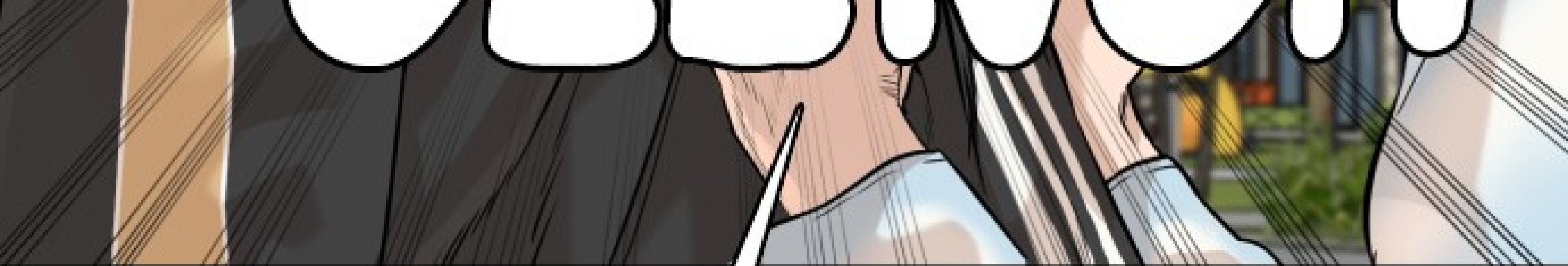


**...IF I DON'T
TRY, THEN AT
LEAST I WON'T**



UGH, YOU
FUCKING
IDIOT!



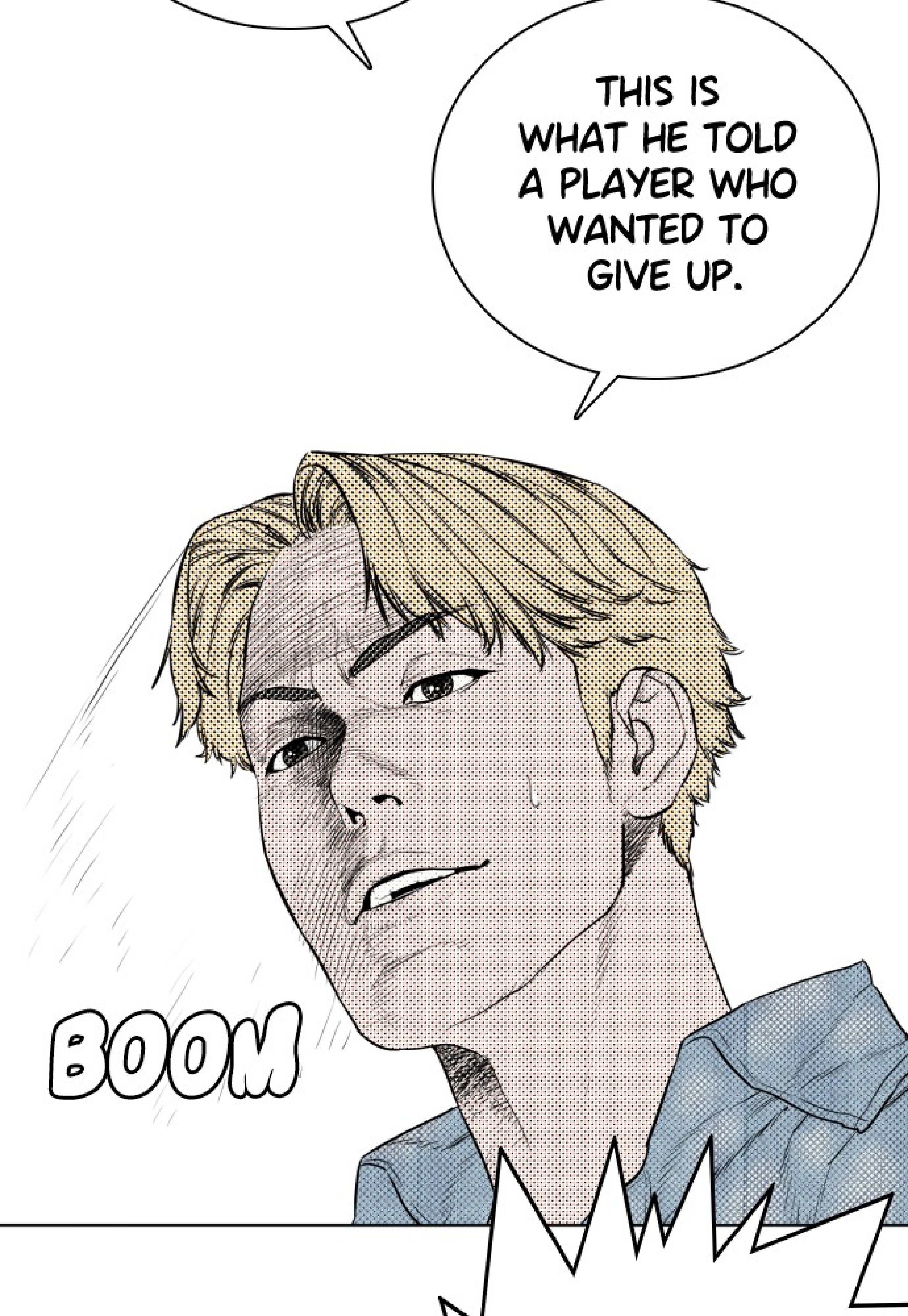


LISTEN!

**THERE
WAS ONCE A
WORLD-FAMOUS
BASKETBALL
COACH.**

THIS IS
WHAT HE TOLD
A PLAYER WHO
WANTED TO
GIVE UP.

BOOM



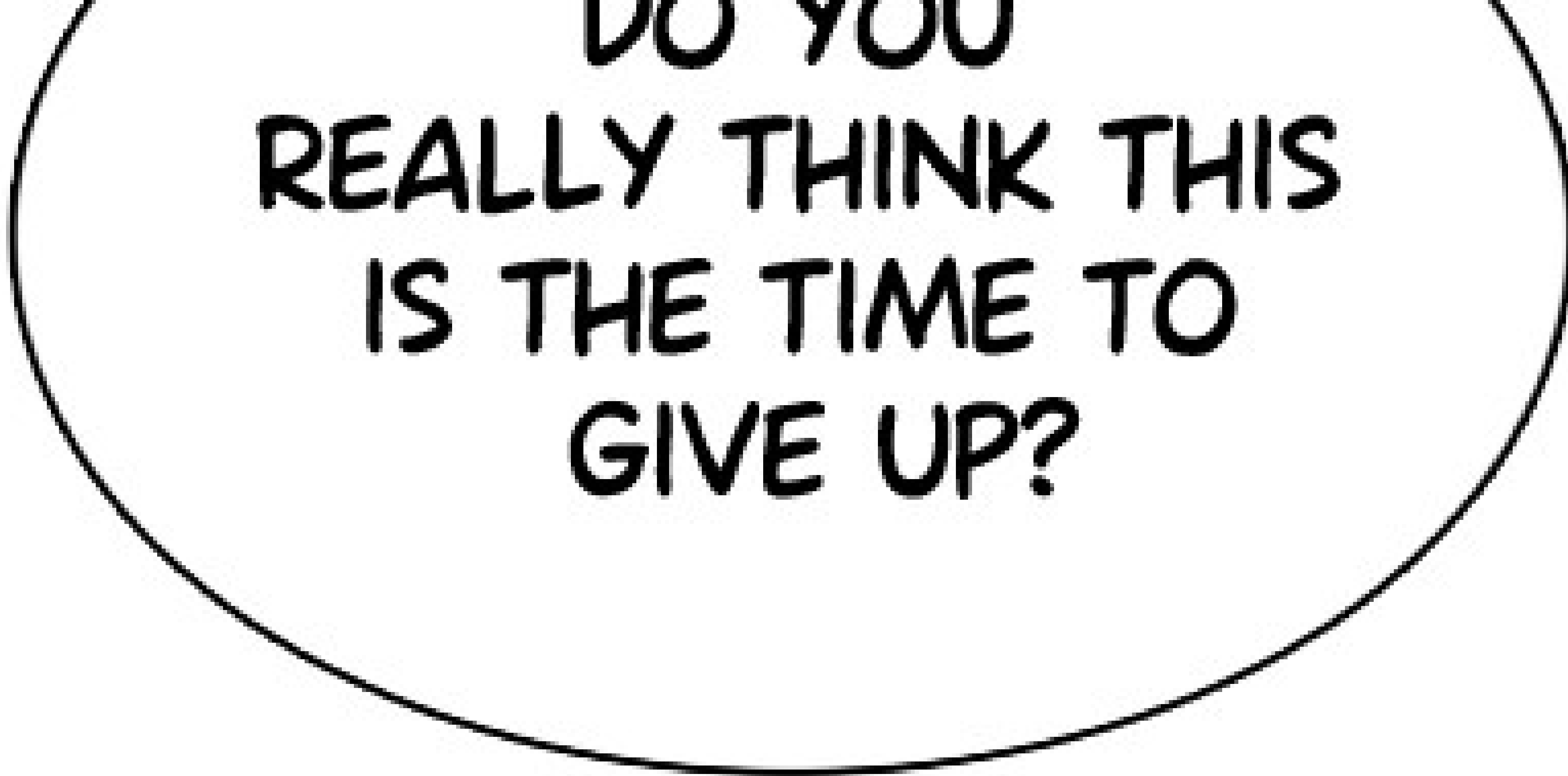


**WHAT THE
HELL?!**

HE SAID
IF YOU GIVE
UP, THEN YOU'VE
LOST THE MATCH
FOR SURE.

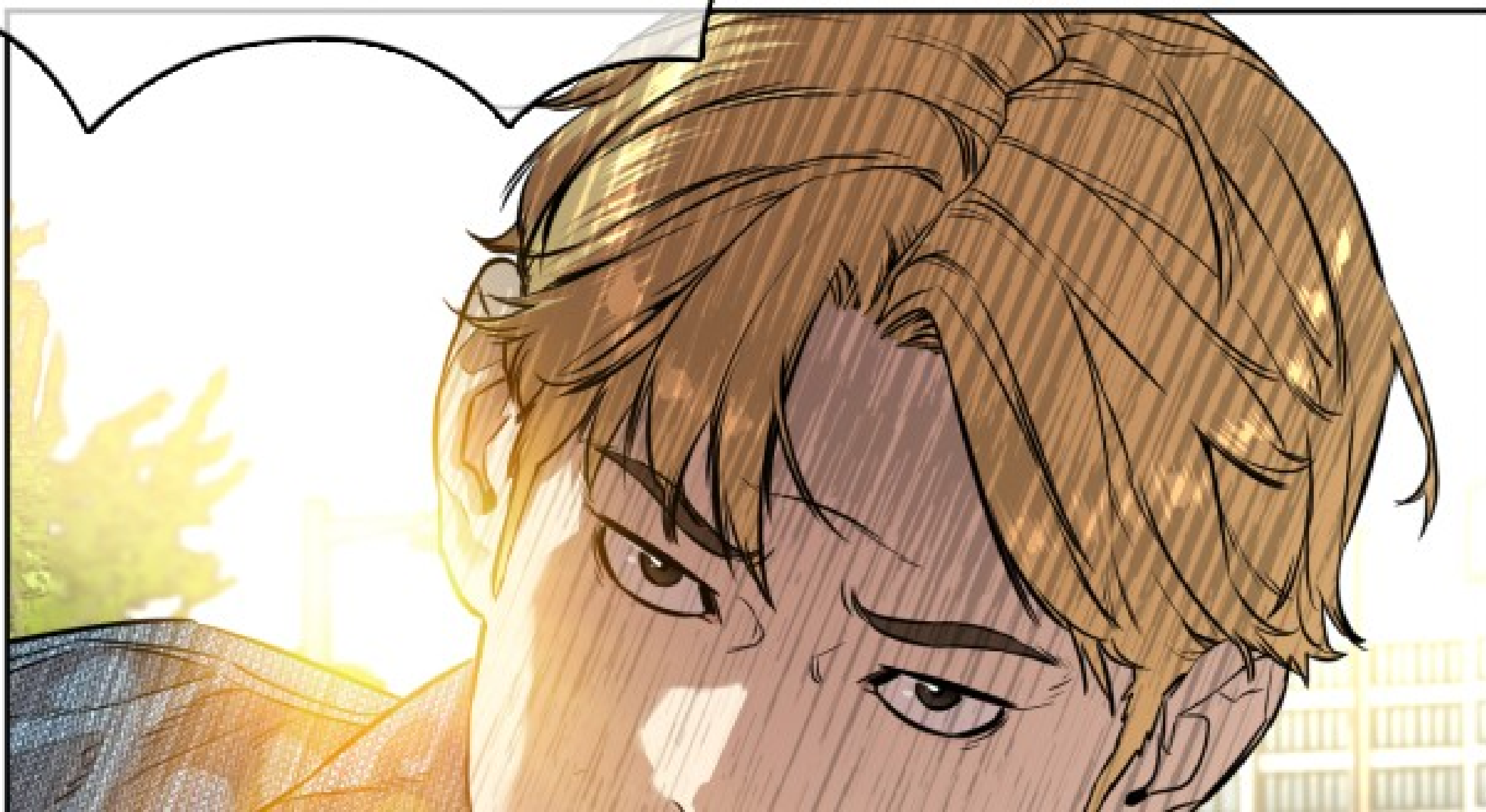


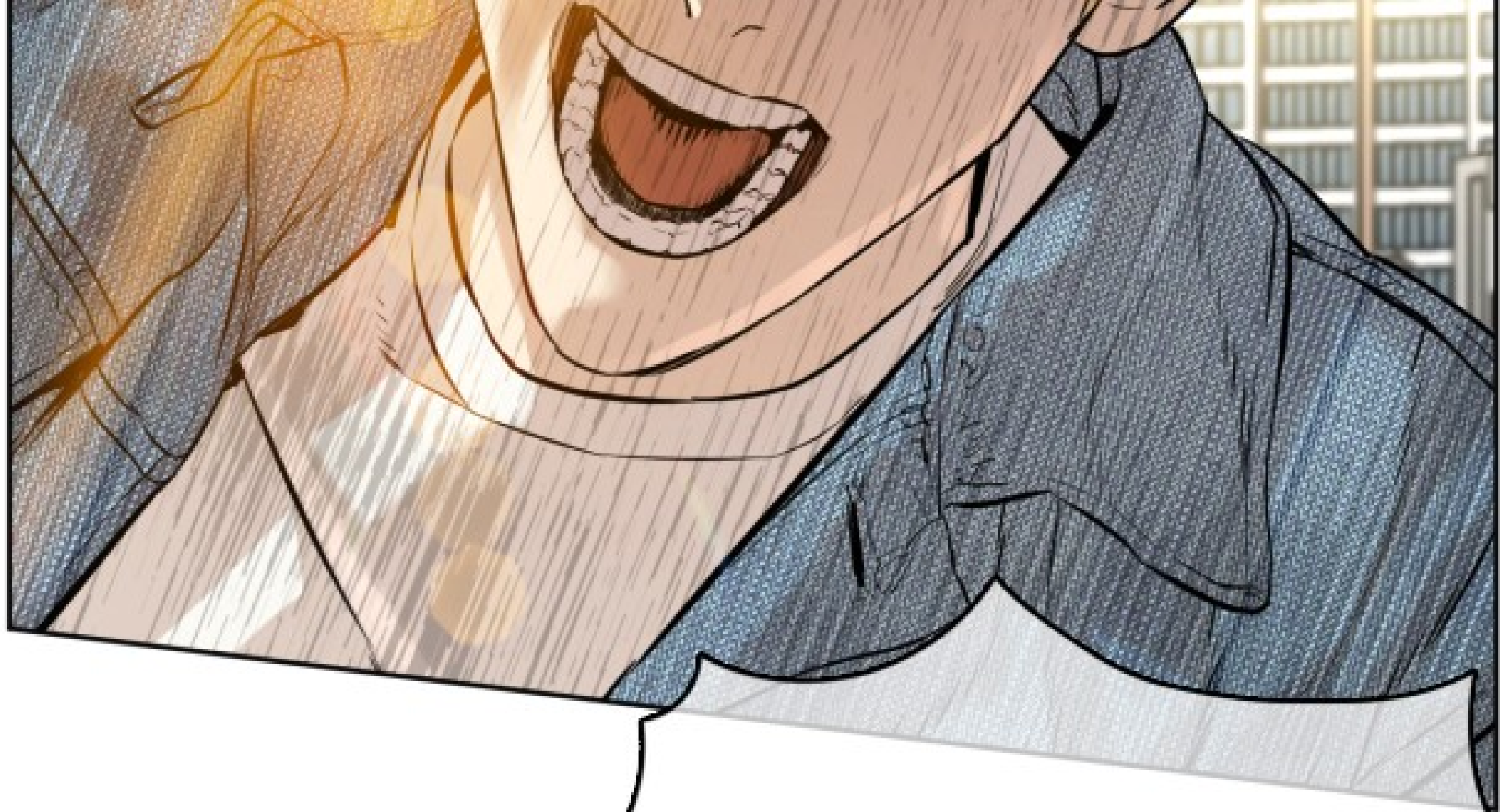
DO YOU



DO YOU
REALLY THINK THIS
IS THE TIME TO
GIVE UP?

**WHO WAS
THE ONE WHO
ASKED YOU OUT
ON A DATE?!**





**WHO WAS
THE ONE WHO
BOUGHT THE
COFFEE?!**

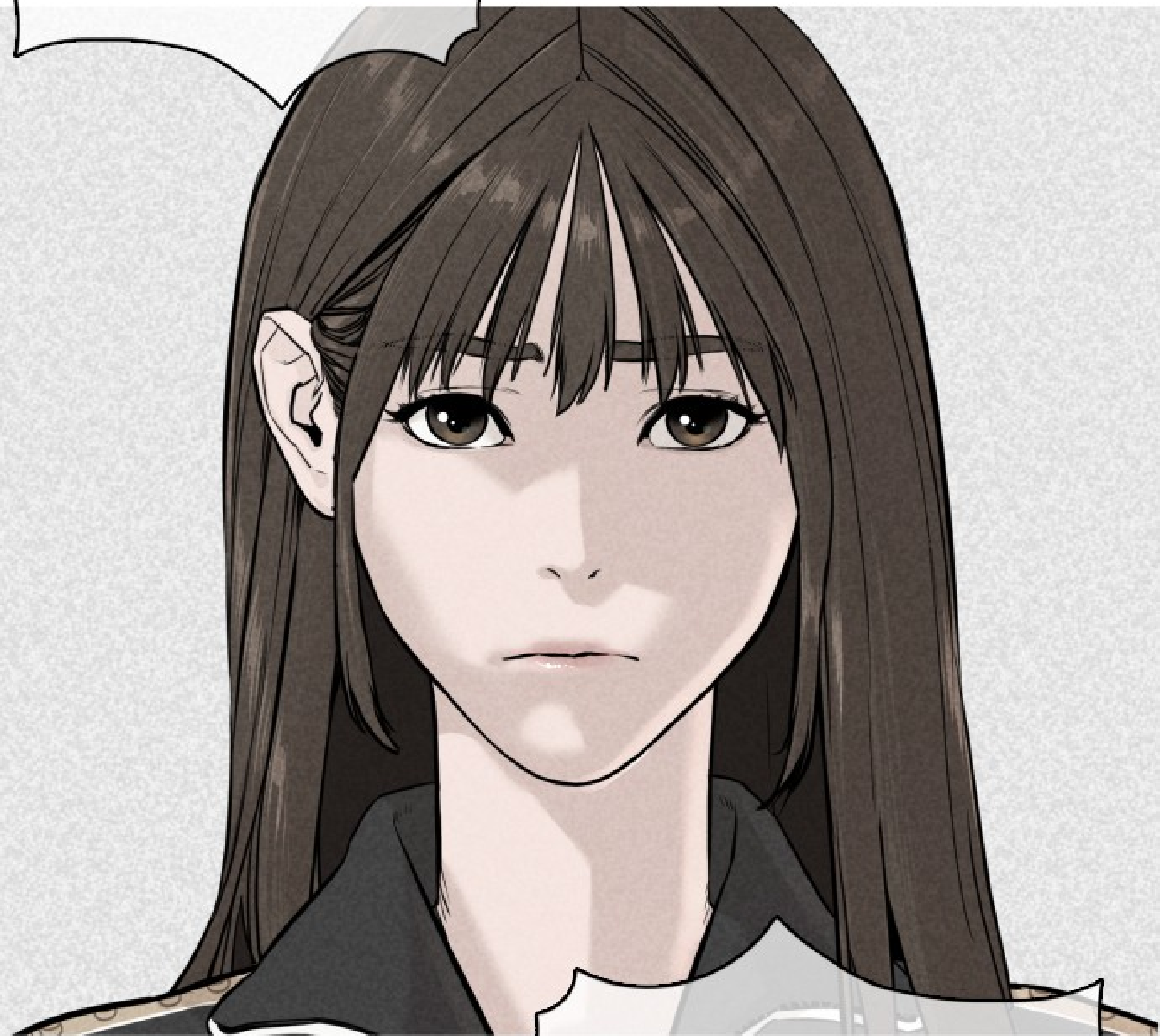
**...IF SHE WASN'T
INTERESTED?**

DO YOU
THINK SHE WOULD
HAVE SPENT A
SINGLE PENNY
ON YOU...





REMEMBER...



...HOW BOMI
LOOKED LIKE SHE
DIDN'T WANT TO
SAY GOODBYE!

**ARE YOU
GONNA GIVE
UP?!**

SNIFF



YOU'RE CURRENTLY
CLOSER TO WINNING
THAN ANY OTHER
PLAYER IN THE GAME
RIGHT NOW!

S-SNAPPER...



**SNIFF
SNIFF**

HE'S RIGHT!

**THANK YOU!
YOU REALLY
HELPED ME!**

**NO NEED
TO THANK
ME.**

hug





**I HAVE TO GO
TELL BOMI HOW I
REALLY FEEL!**

WE'RE...



**...FRIENDS,
AREN'T WE?**

GOOD LUCK, HOBIN...

GO...

GO AND
LET HER KNOW
HOW YOU
FEEL.



**OK! I'LL
BE BACK!**



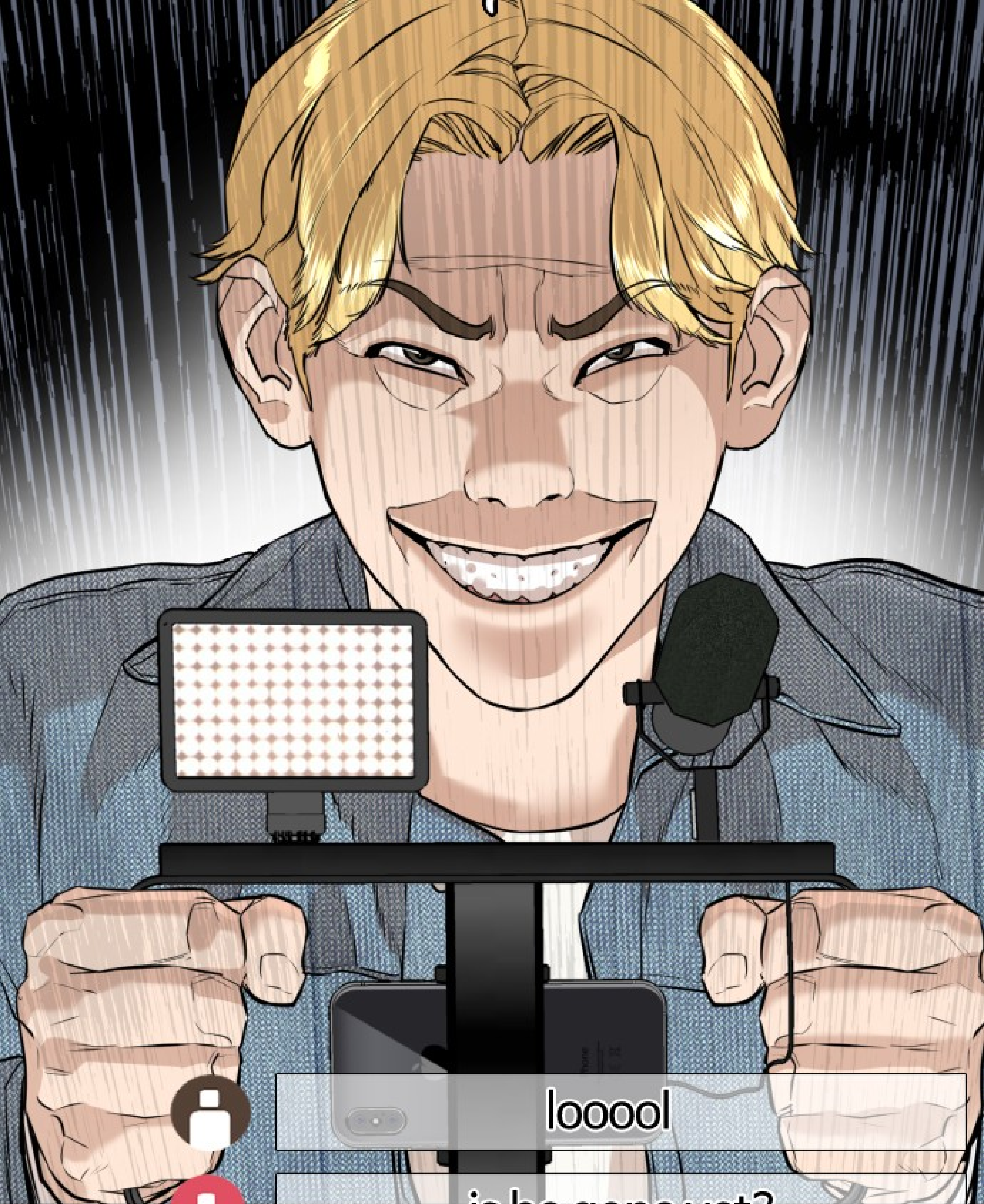
**GET READY
FOR ME TO ASK
YOU OUT...**

**...BOMI
CHOI!**



YES, THAT'S WHAT
WE NEED...

...TO MAKE THE
LIVE STREAM
INTERESTING.



looooo



is he gone yet?

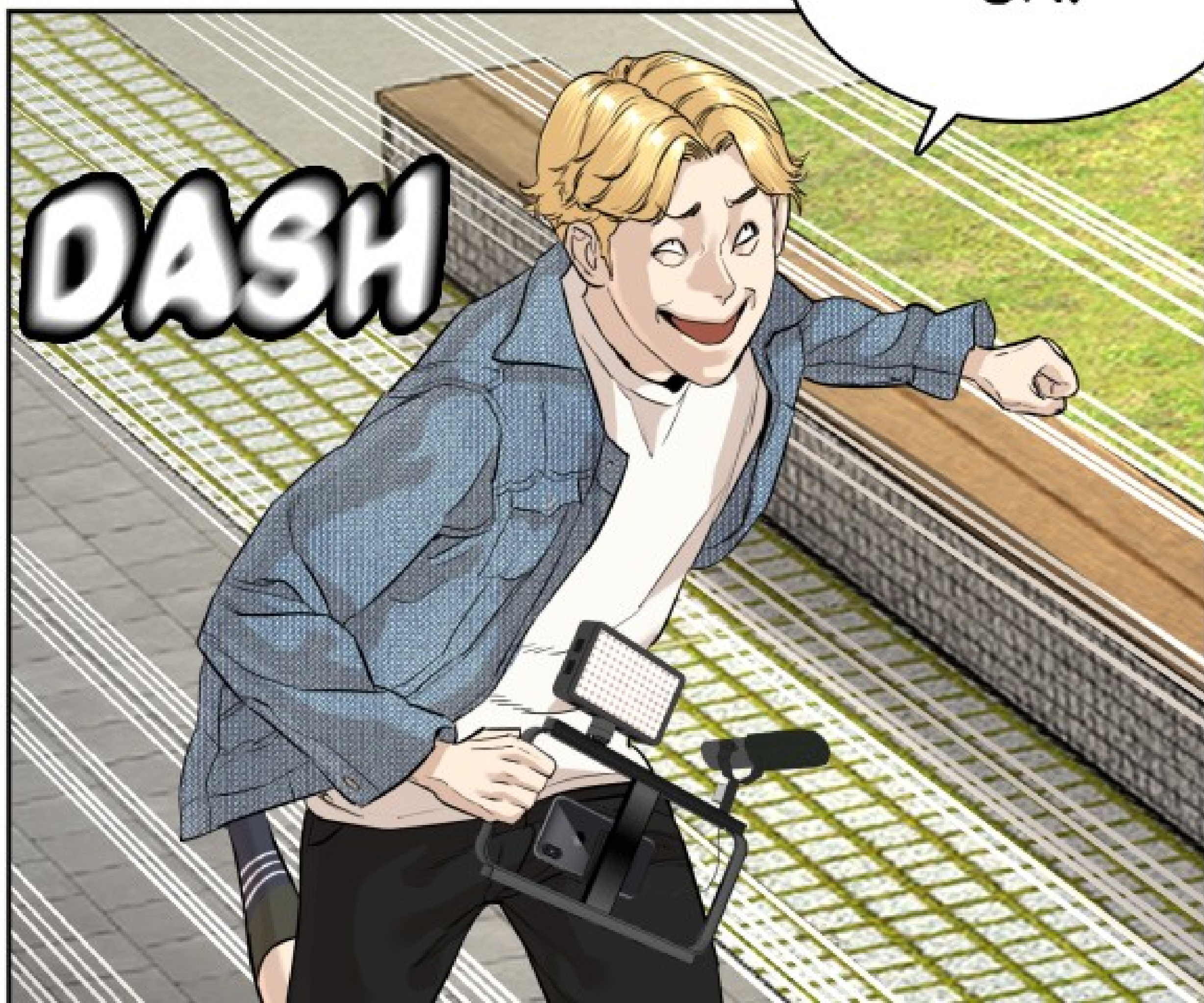


I thought I was gonna pass out from holding my breath.

LADIES AND
GENTLEMEN, THE
"I ASKED OUT A GIRL
I'M FRIENDS WITH
BUT GOT REJECTED"
LIVE STREAM...

...IS BACK
ON!

DASH





TAE

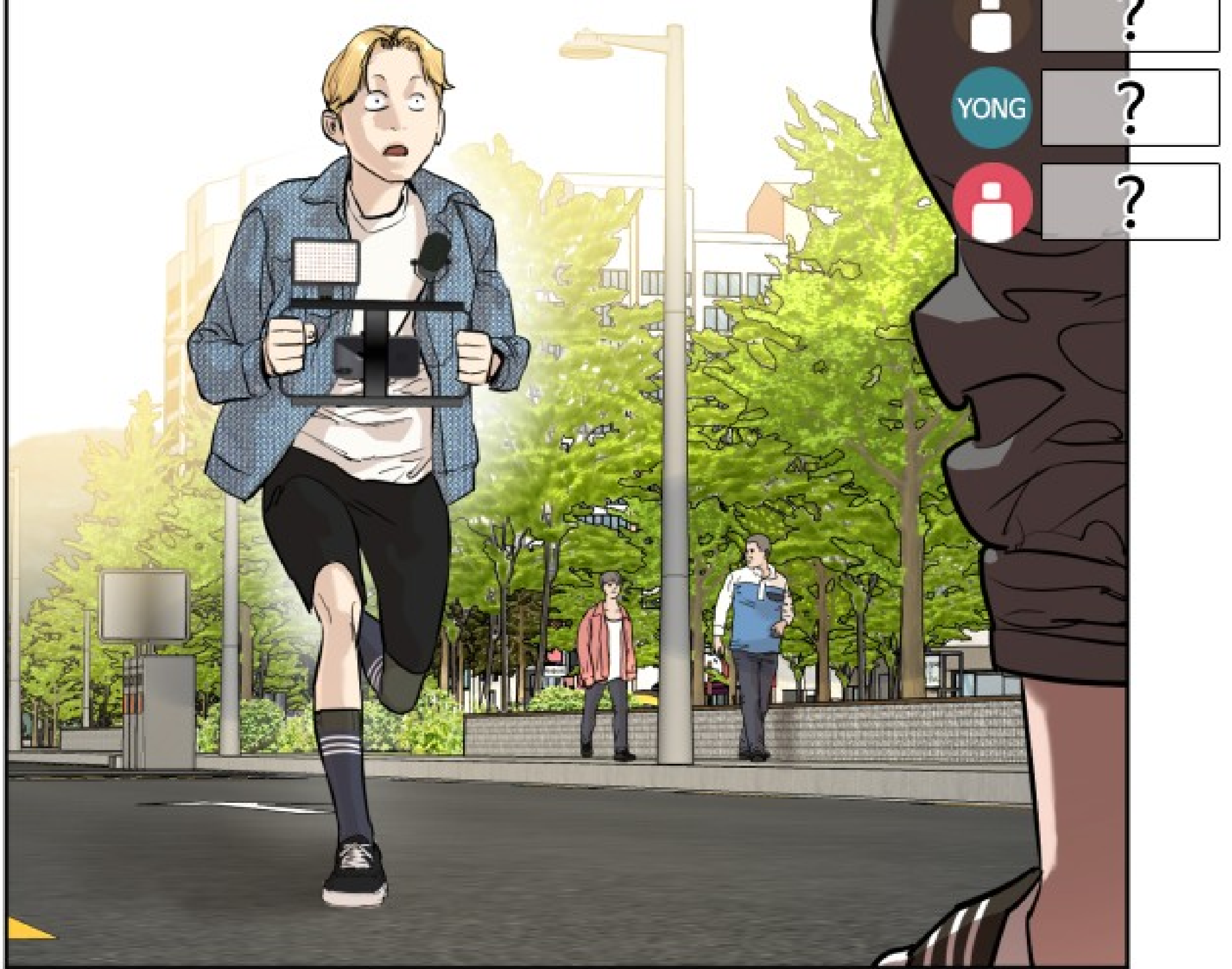
I'm pretty sure even satan would shake his head at you, you absolute devil.

yeah, you led your friend to hell just to boost views.

HYEONG

btw, isn't that famous basketball coach the coach from the slum dunk anime?

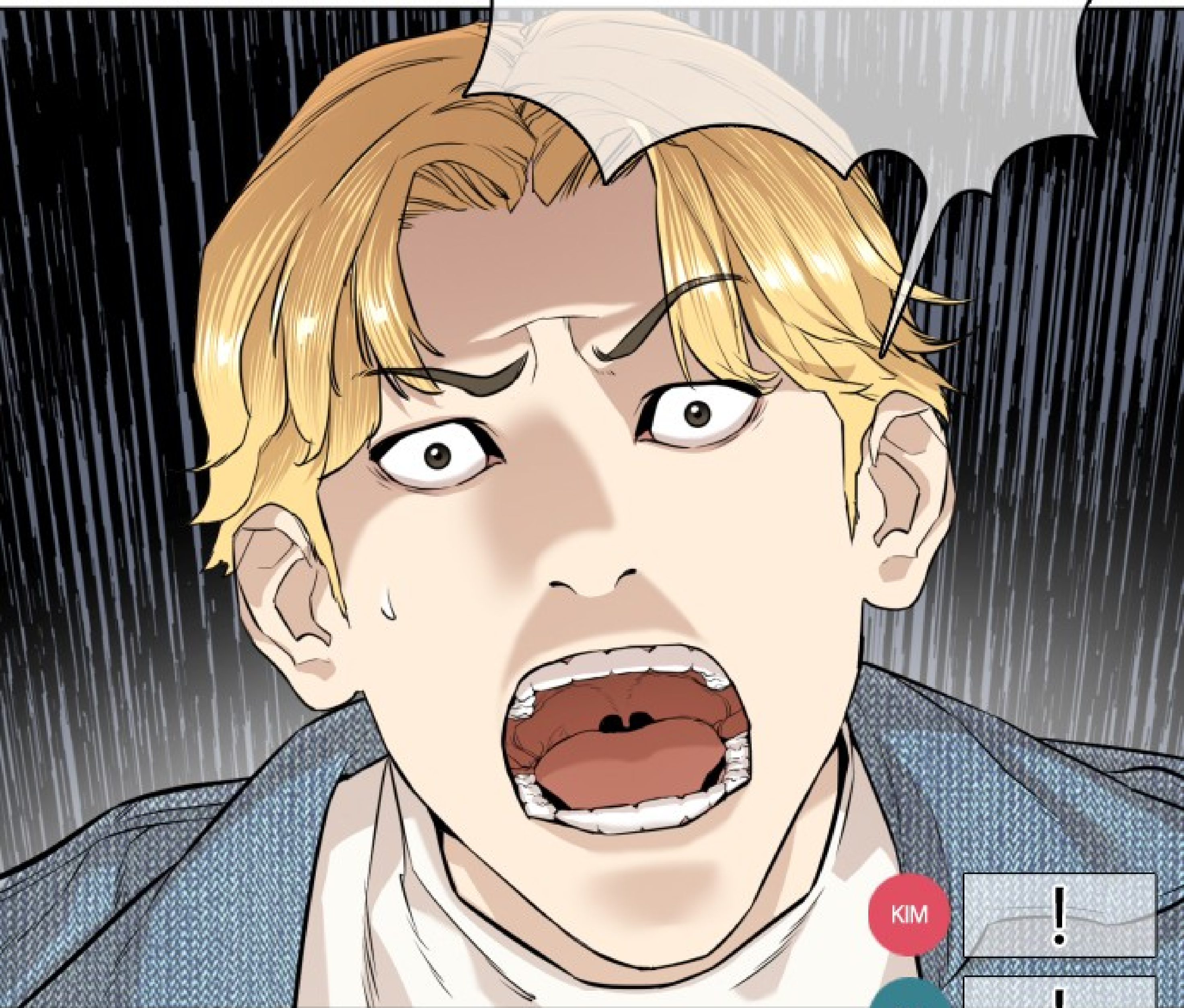
...HUH?



you

YOU...

YOU'RE...!



KIM

!

NA

!

BAK

!

IS
YOUR...



...INGROWN
TOENAIL OK?



A comic panel with a white background at the top and a blue sky with clouds at the bottom. Two jagged speech bubbles are present. The first bubble on the left contains the text 'BECAUSE YOU'RE MORE IMPORTANT TO ME!'. The second bubble on the right contains the text 'I GOT OVER IT!'. At the bottom center, the back of a person's head with dark brown hair is visible.

**BECAUSE
YOU'RE MORE
IMPORTANT
TO ME!**

**I GOT
OVER IT!**

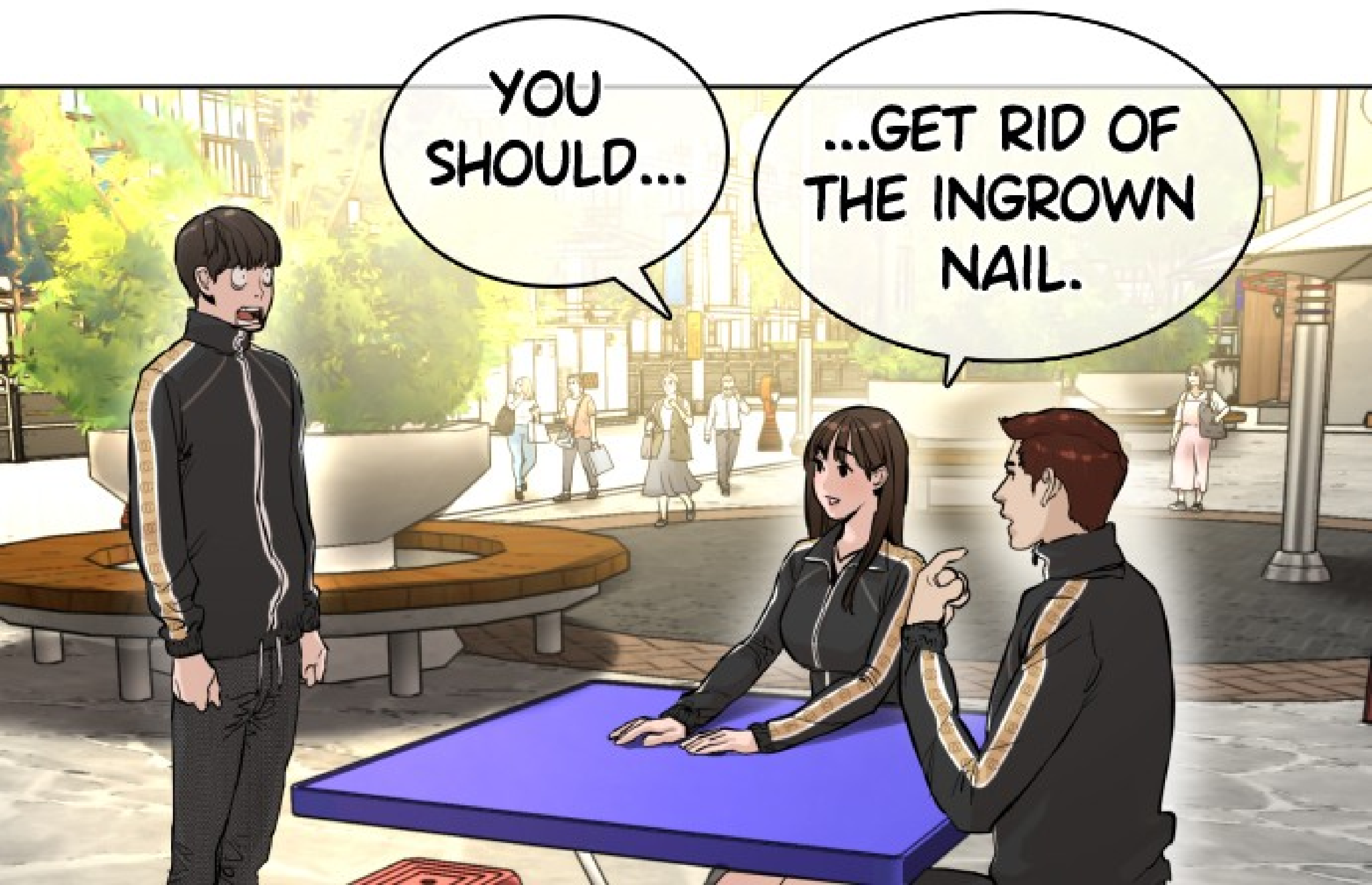



YEAH, I'M
FINE!

I THINK
YOU GOT YOUR
WORDS MIXED
UP...

**YOU
SHOULD...**

**...GET RID OF
THE INGROWN
NAIL.**



A comic panel showing the lower legs and feet of several people sitting on red plastic stools. A large, semi-transparent speech bubble is centered over the scene.

I'M REALLY
GOOD AT PULLING
THEM OUT.

A large, circular speech bubble with a radial, impact-style background pattern.


NO, PLEASE
DON'T SAY THINGS
LIKE THAT! THAT'S
TERRIFYING!

I'M GONNA
GO NOW.


OK, MUNSEONG.
GOOD LUCK FOR
YOUR MATCH!

STAND

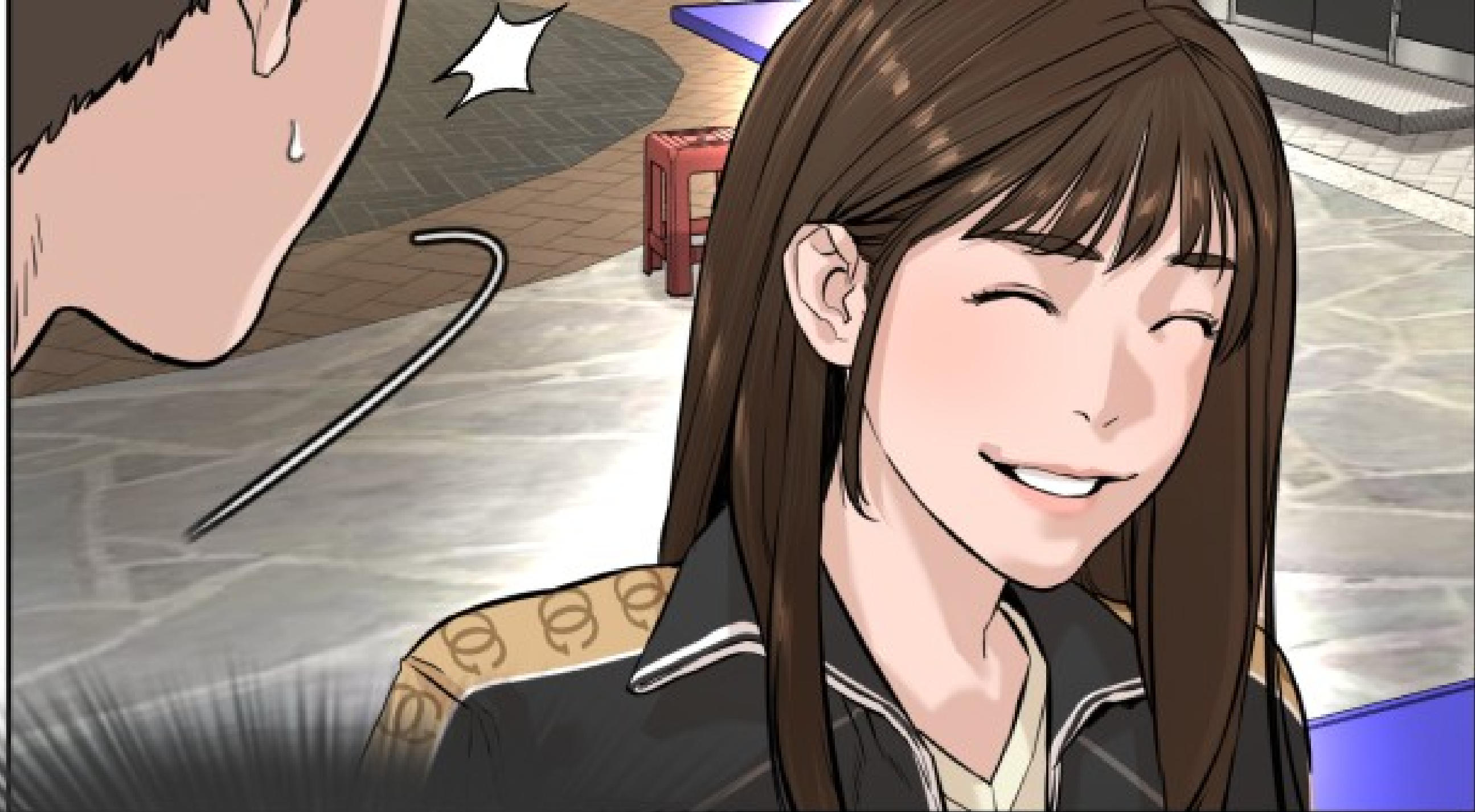
HUH,
WHAT? HE'S
LEAVING?



**MUNSEONG
HAS A MATCH
NEXT WEEK SO
HE'S BUSY.**



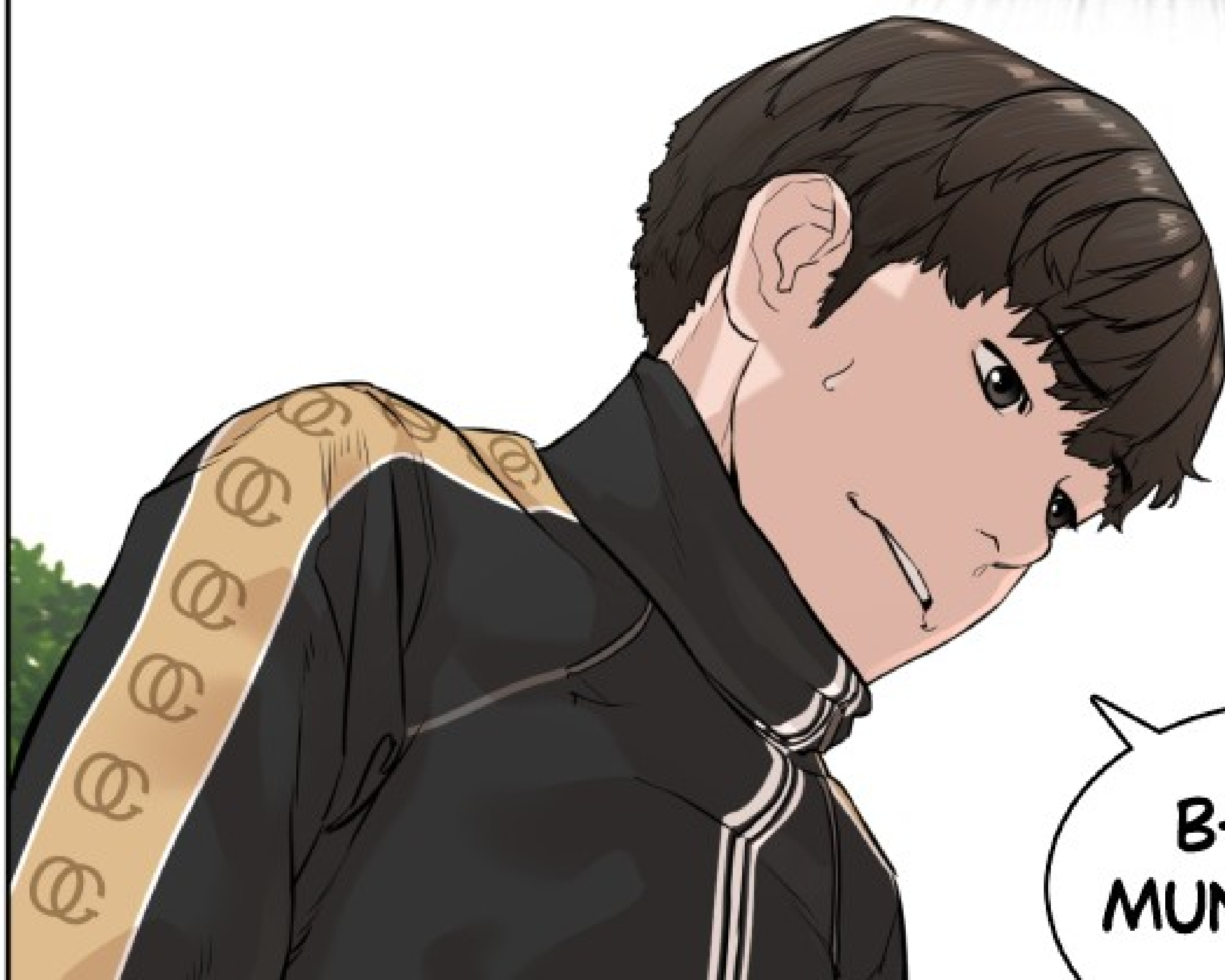
**HE DIDN'T
EVEN HAVE
TIME TO EAT
DESSERT.**



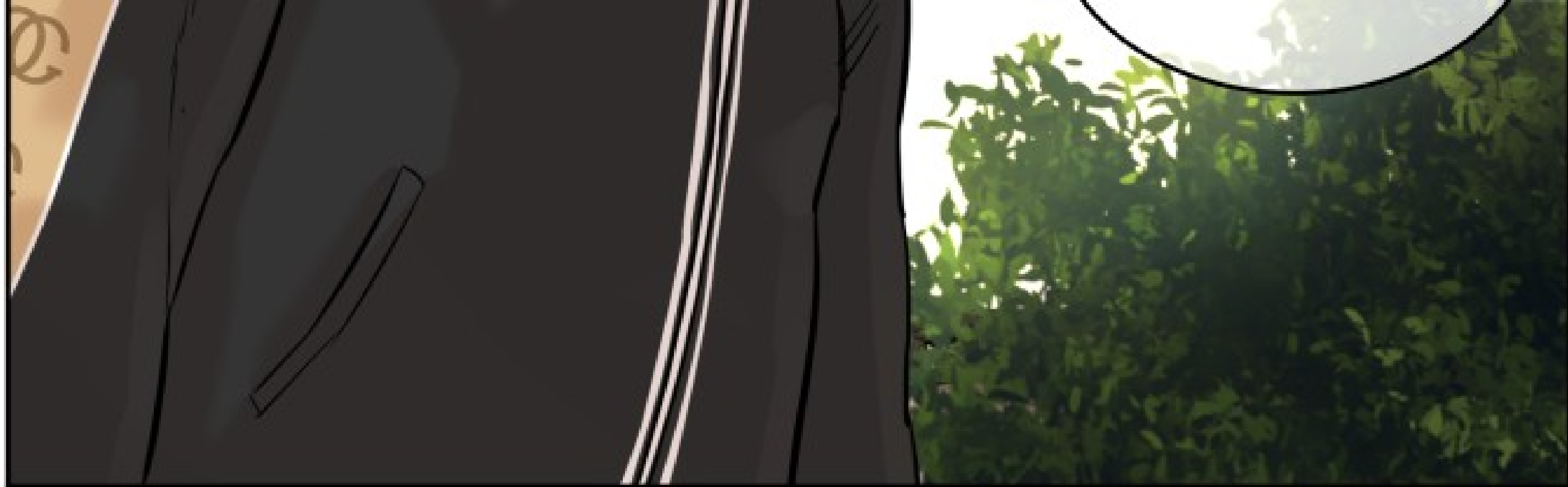
I THOUGHT
THOSE TWO WERE
ON A DATE.

I HAD NO
IDEA THEY WERE
JUST FRIENDS...

...SO I RAN
AWAY SIMPLY
BECAUSE I FELT
INFERIOR...



B-BYE,
MUNSEONG.



HOBIN.





JOLT

**Y-YES,
SIR?!**

YOU...

**...ARE A
GOOD
FIGHTER.**





I SAW

THE VIDEOS ON
YOUR NEWTUBE
CHANNEL.

VIRAL HIT.




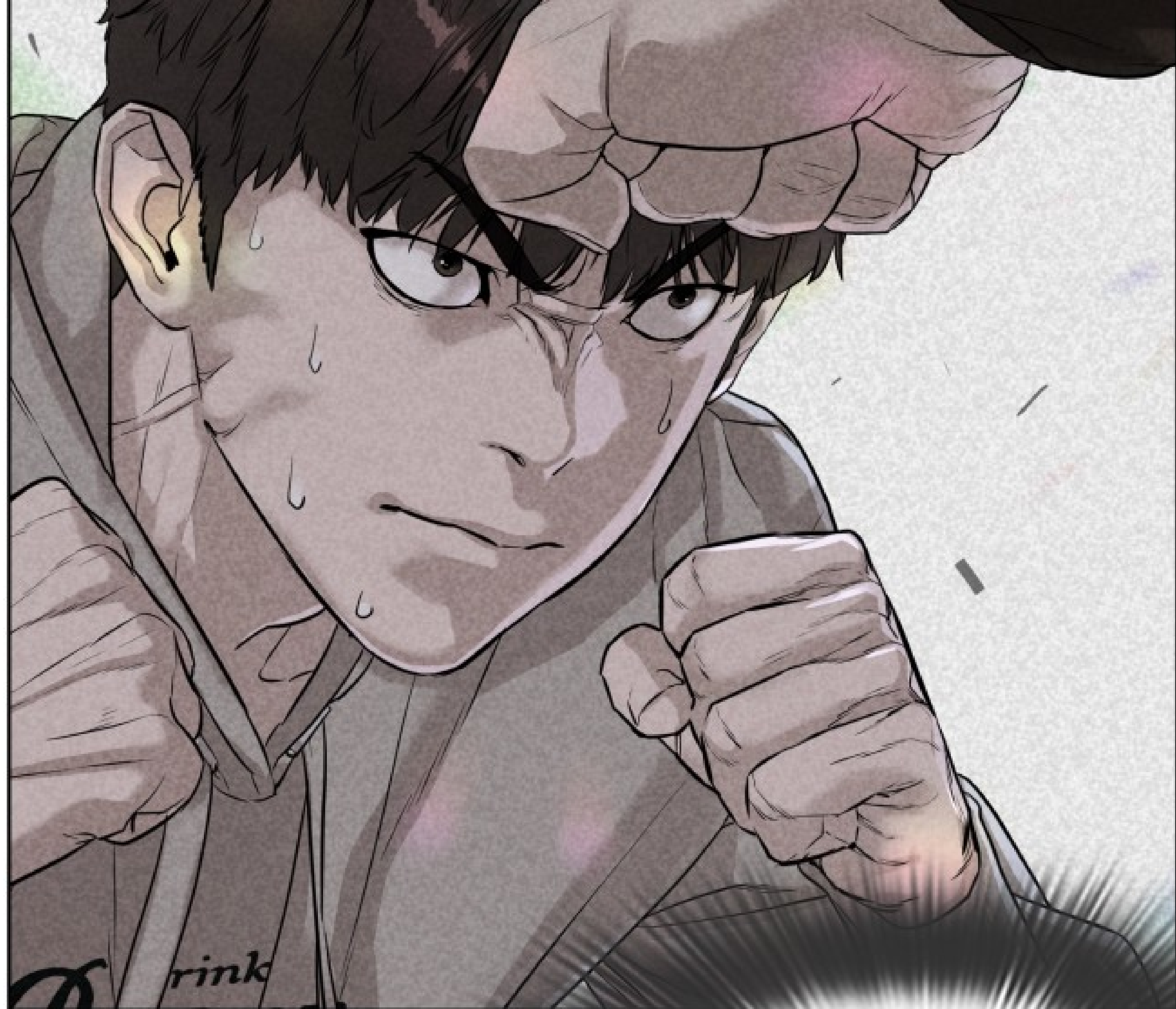
HE... HE
WATCHED MY
VIDEOS?!



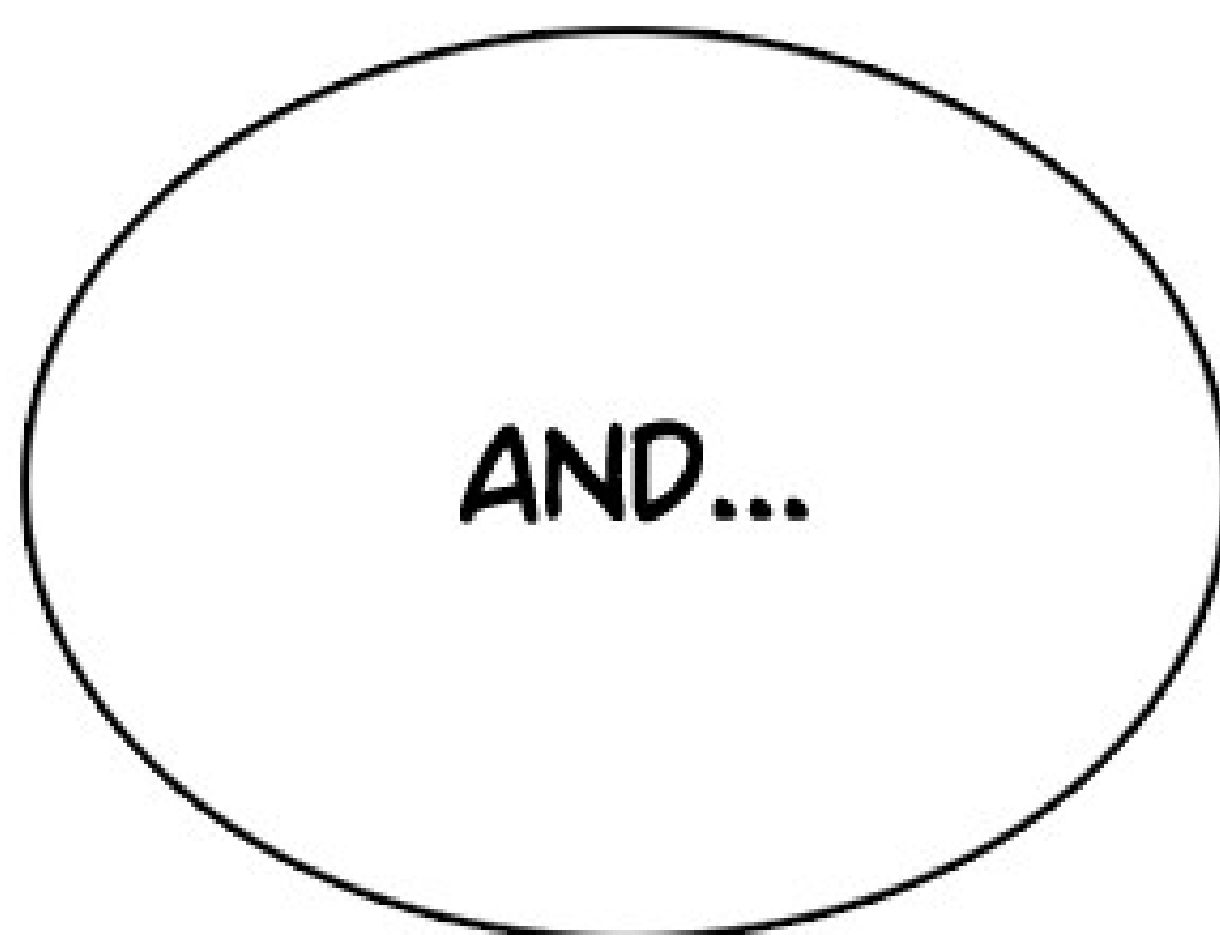
YOU REDUCED
THE AMOUNT OF
DAMAGE YOU
TOOK ON BY...

...LEANING IN
BEFORE HE COULD
LAND THE PUNCH,
RIGHT?





**I... I SIMPLY
COPIED THAT
MOVE FROM
THAT VIDEO...**



...YOU DIDN'T
DO THE NEXT
MOVE ON
PURPOSE,
RIGHT?





WHAT...?!

ANYWAY, I
LIKE WATCHING
YOUR VIDEOS.



THE NEXT
MOVE?

**YOU KNOW WHAT
THE NEXT MOVE IS?!**

BYE.



**BUT I SHOULD
BE THE ONLY ONE
WHO KNOWS WHAT
THE NEXT MOVE IS!**

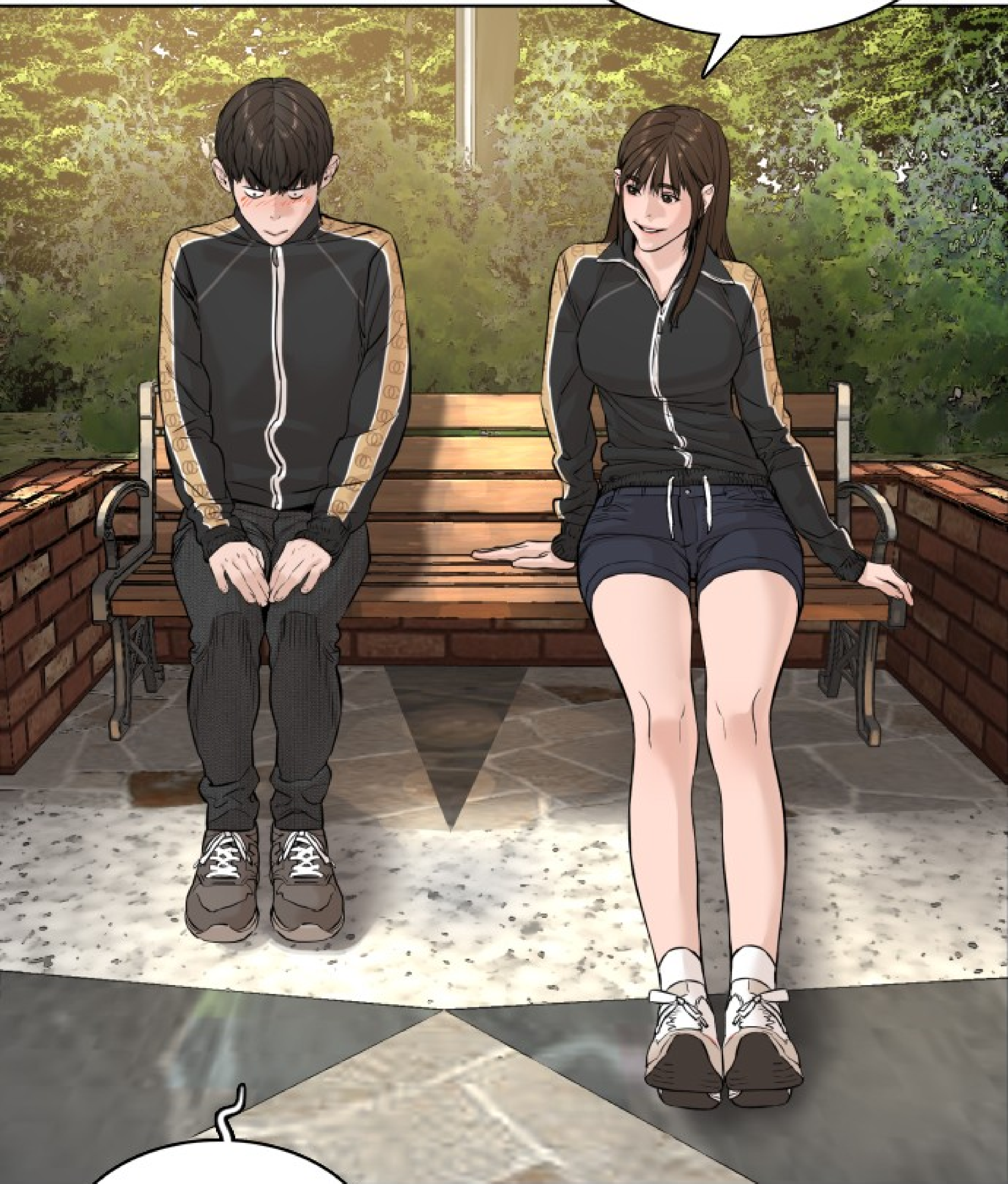




**SO WHAT
DID YOU WANT
TO TELL ME?**

**YOU SAID
YOU CAME BACK**

BECAUSE YOU
HAD SOMETHING
TO SAY.



UH, WHAT
I WANT TO

SAY IS!

UM...
UH... THAT
IS...

UH...
YOU
KNOW...

UM...



HOBIN, YOU'RE
GOING TO WEAR
OUT YOUR
KNEE...

W-WHAT...

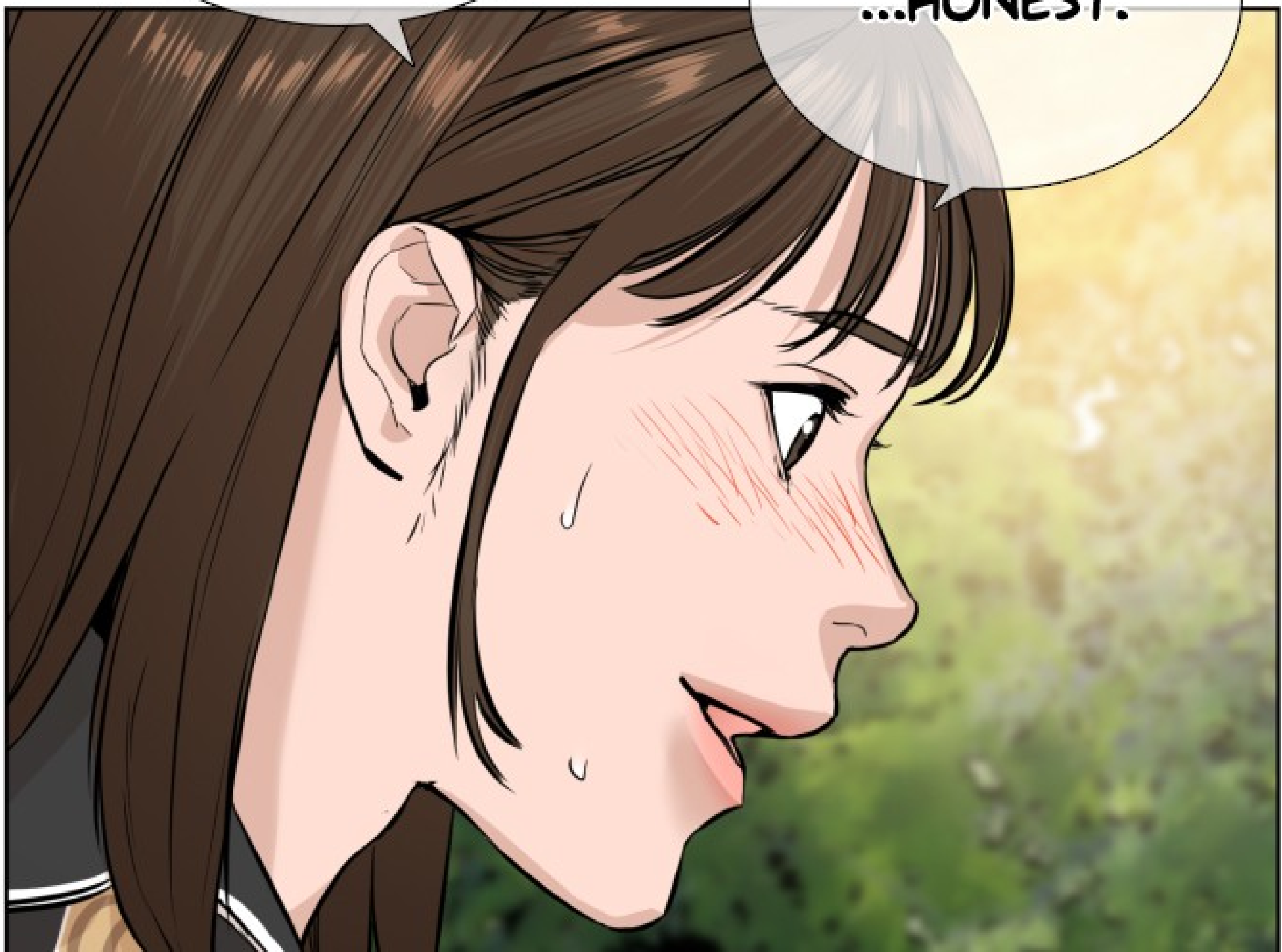




**...KIND OF
GUYS ARE
YOU INTO?**

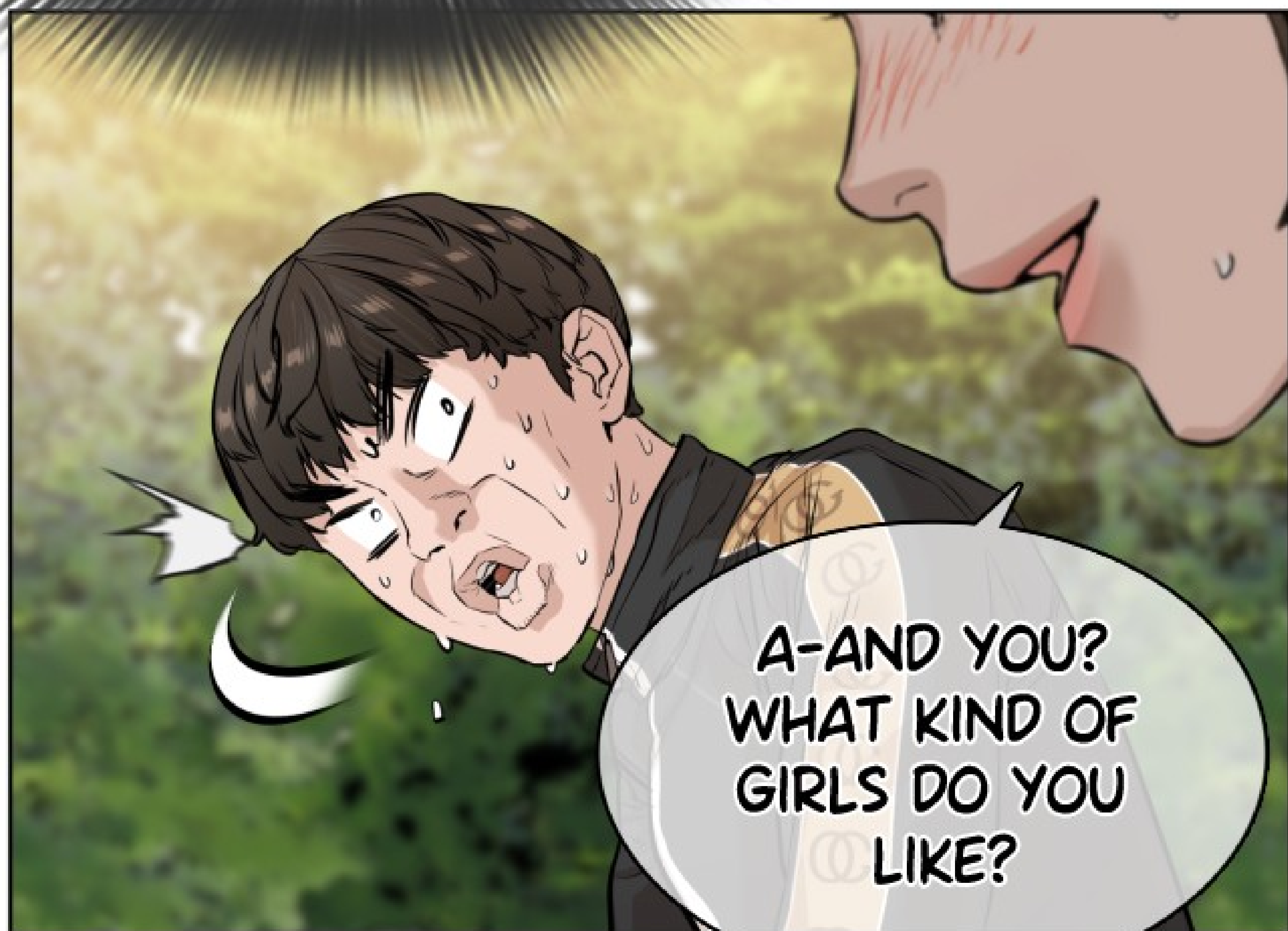
S-SOMEONE
WHO IS...

...HONEST.





HO... HONEST?!

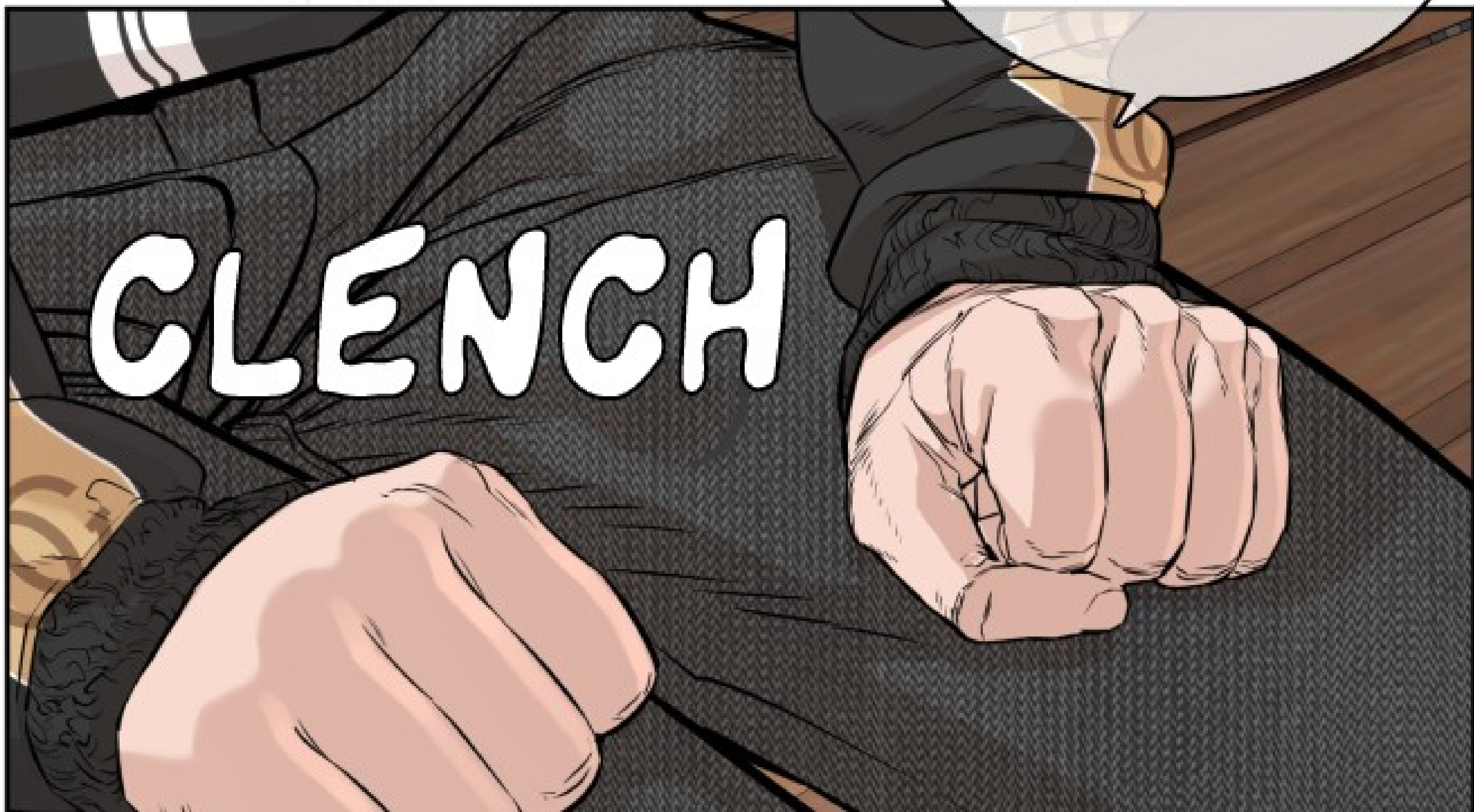


**AN HONEST
PERSON!**

OK!

THE KIND
OF GIRL I'M
INTO IS...!

CLENCH





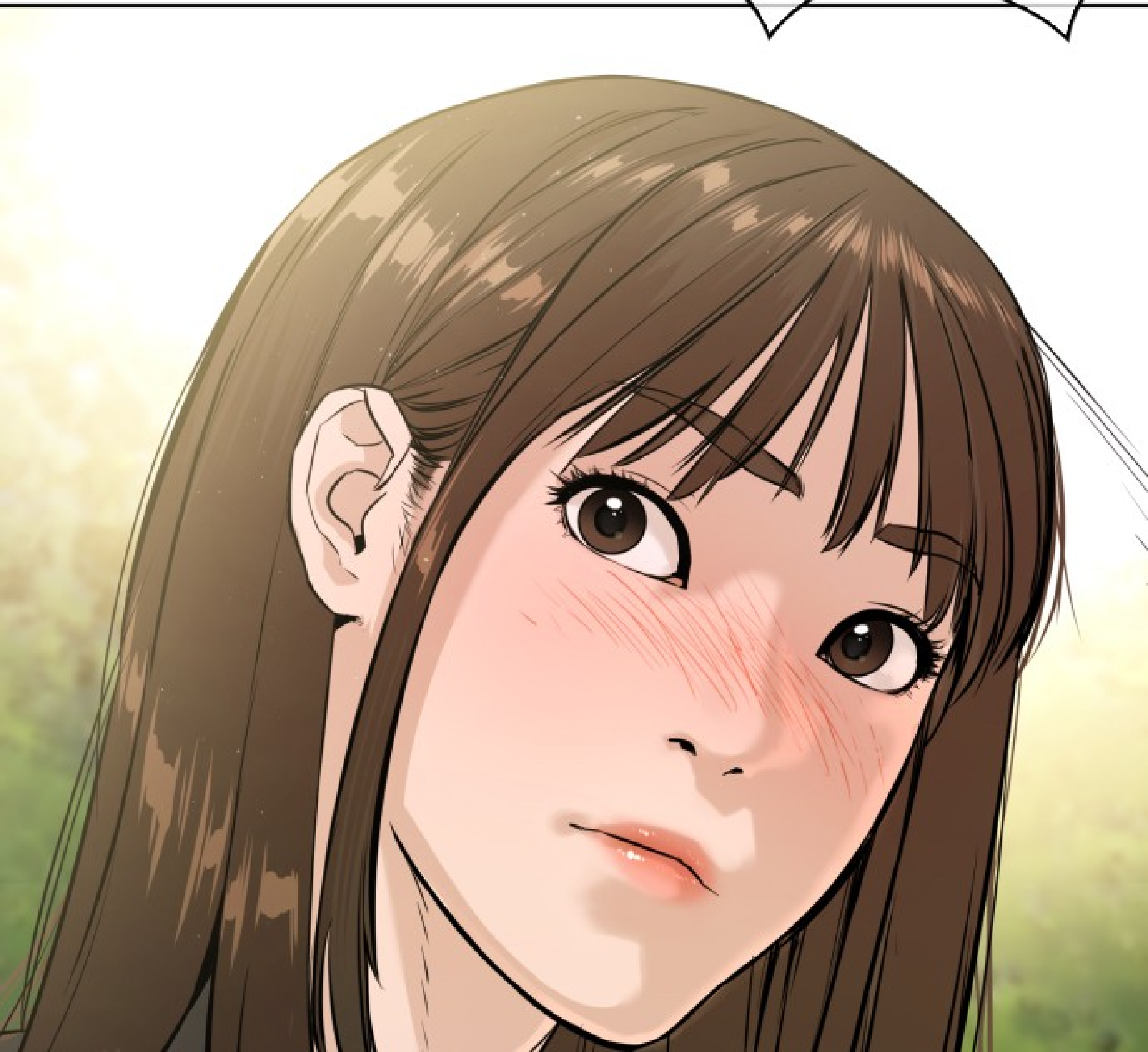
I'LL TELL HER
HONESTLY!

BOMI CHOI!



My...

...TYPE
IS...!

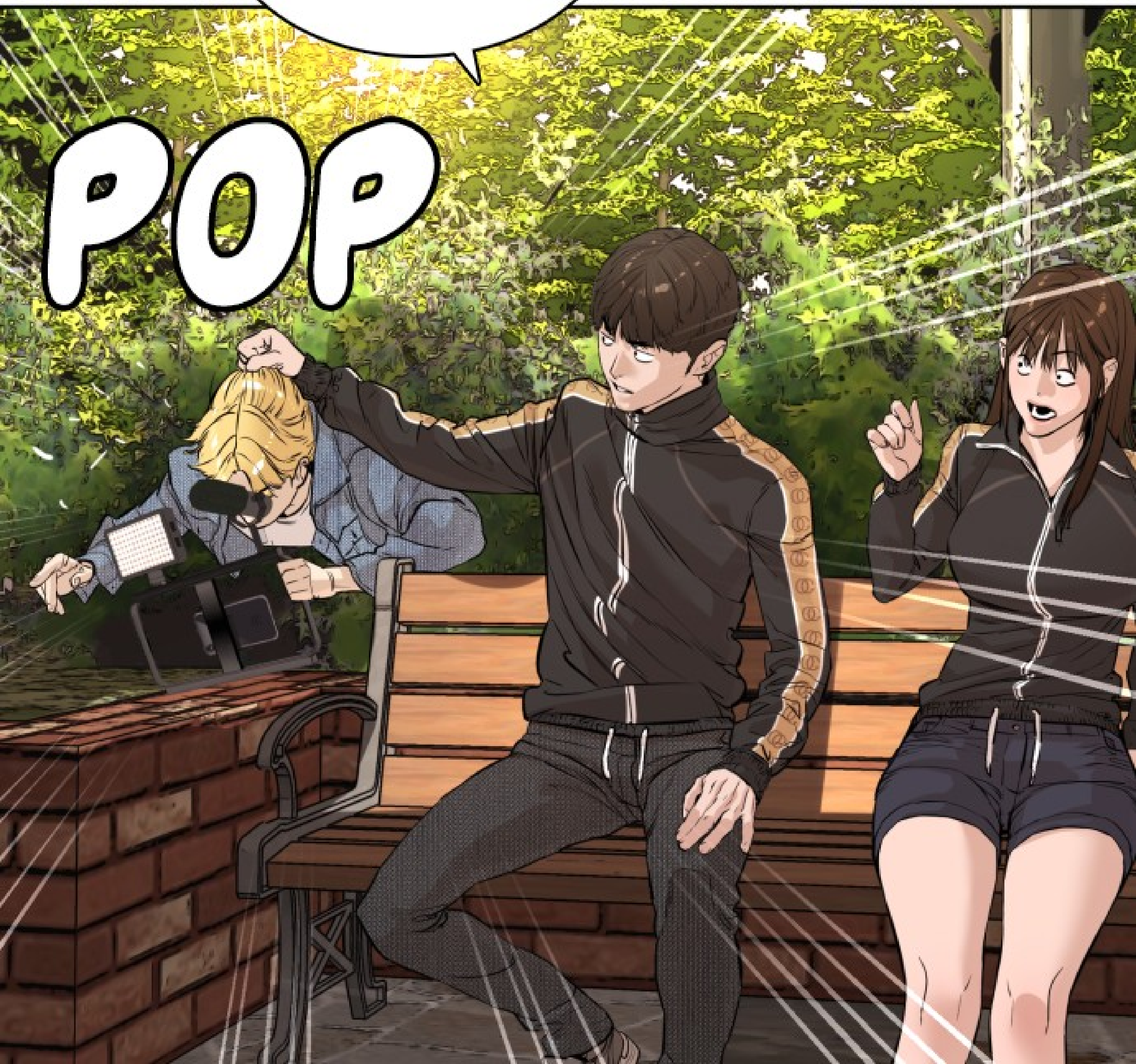


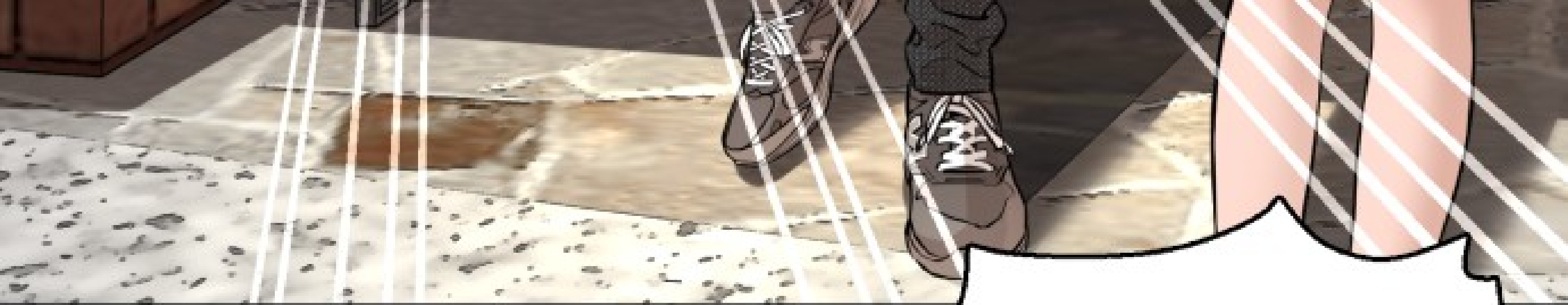


YOU'RE MY IDEAL TYPE!

BEFORE I
ANSWER...

POP



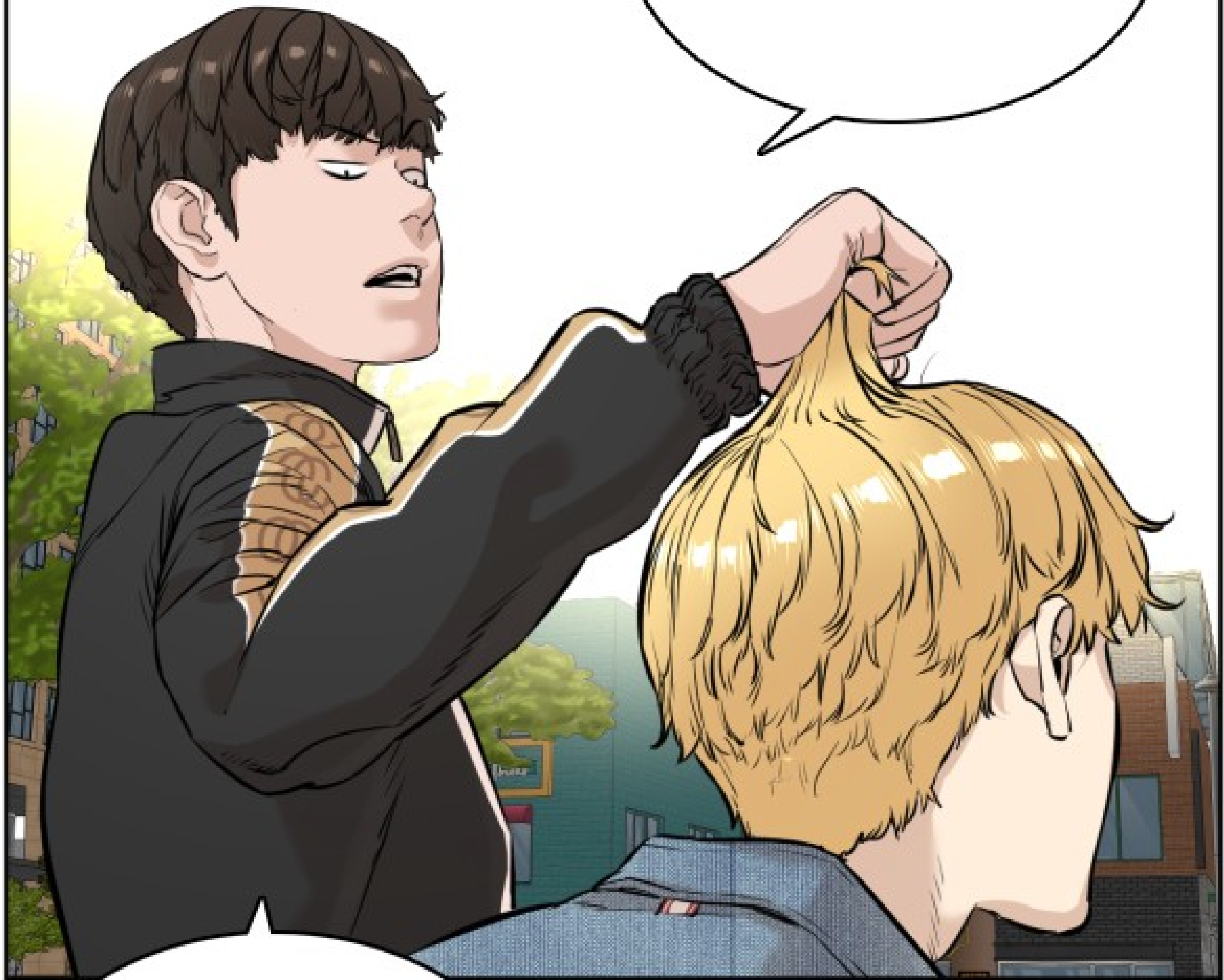


!!!

I KNEW
YOU WERE

FILMING...

...YOU
MONSTER.



THIS IS
WHY YOU...

S-SNAPPER?!





R-RUN...

**YOUR
FACE...!**

THWACK



THANKS,
SNAPPER.





...FOR
BROADCASTING
YOUR LOCATION.





I TOLD
YOU...

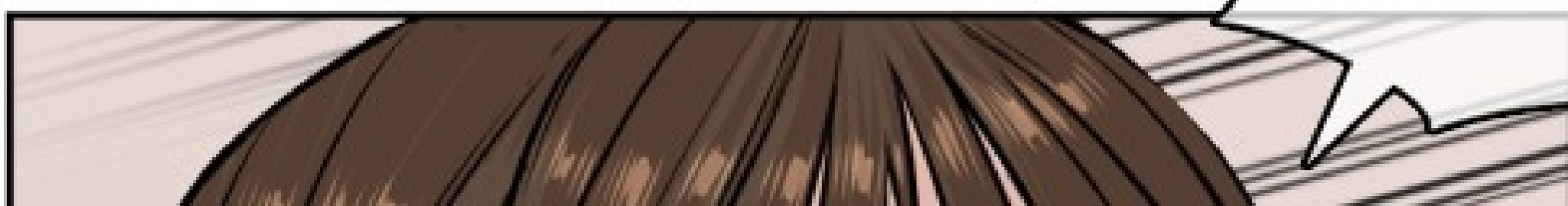
...THAT I
WOULD MAKE
YOU PAY.





WHAT IS
WRONG WITH
YOU PEOPLE?!

WHAT DO
YOU THINK
YOU'RE--





BOMI.

GO HOME.





**SHE'S
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE.**

**THIS BITCH
PRETENDED LIKE SHE
WASN'T INTERESTED
IN GUYS WHEN I
ASKED HER FOR**

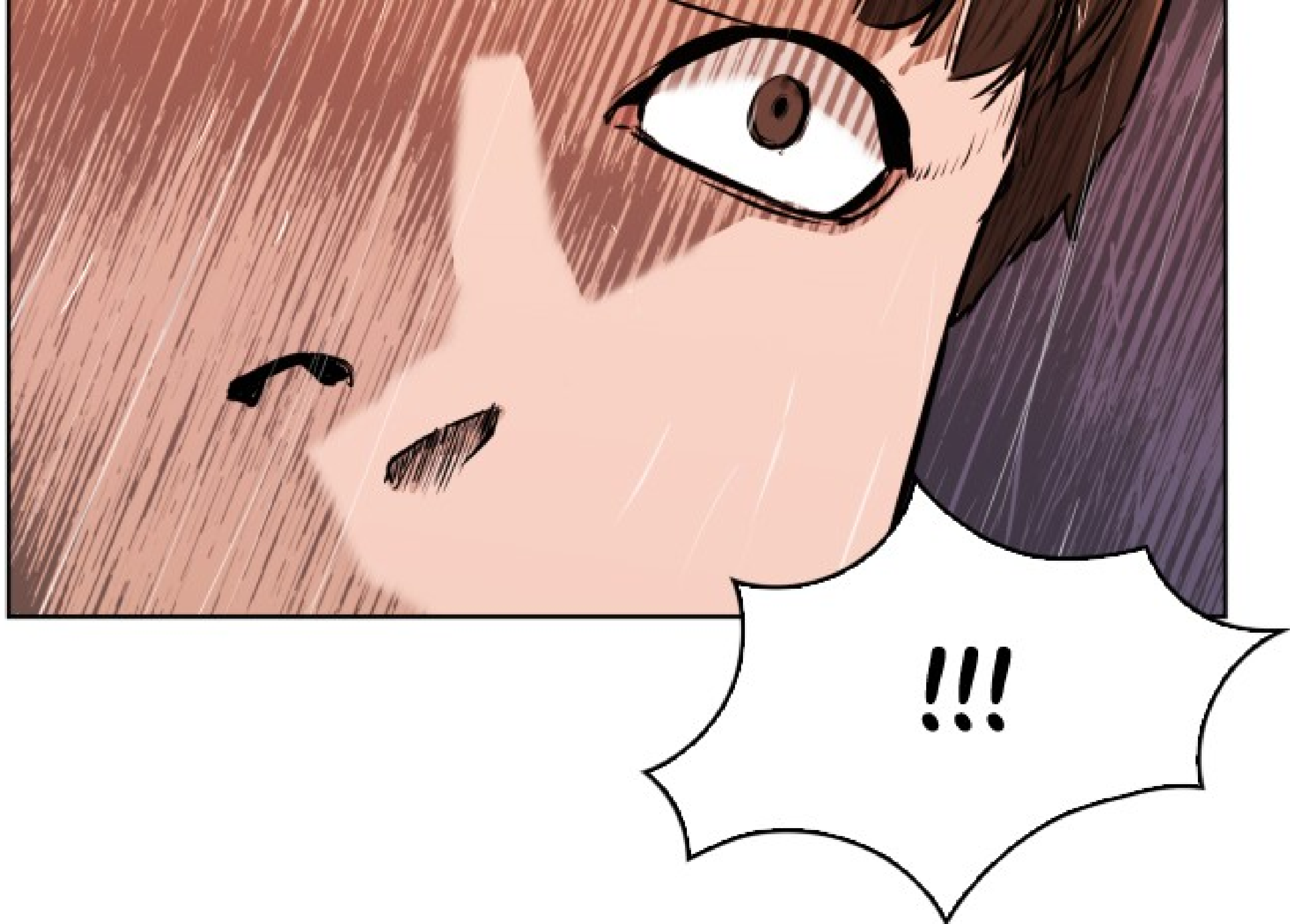
ASKED HER FOR
HER NUMBER.

CLENCH

EEK!

**BUT IT LOOKS
LIKE SHE'S ACTUALLY
A TOTAL SLUT.**





NO...

I CAN'T...

THERE'S
NOBODY
EASIER
TO BEAT...

...THAN AN
OPPONENT
WHO LOST
HIS COOL.

...LOSE MY
COOL FIRST.

...PAKGO.





I HAVE TO TAKE
CONTROL MY
EMOTIONS...

**DO YOU WANT
TO GET YOUR
ASS KICKED
AGAIN?**





**YOU
BALD-HEADED
MOTHERFUCKER.**

AND MAKE MY

...AND MAKE MY
OPPONENT ANGRY.

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